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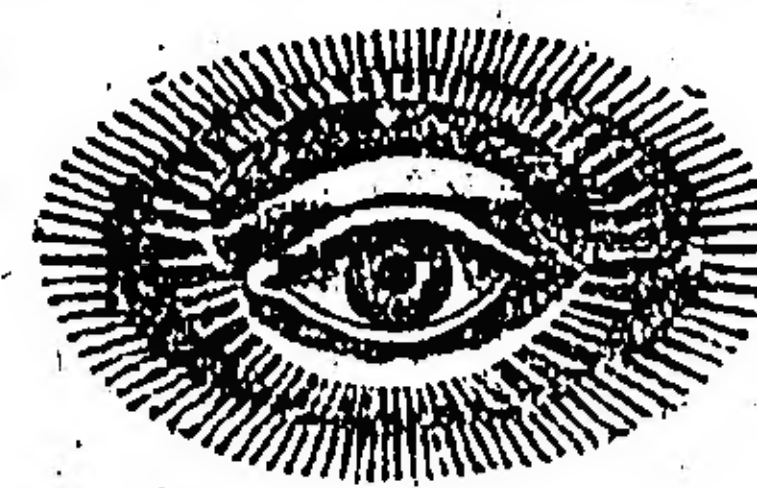
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## NORTH CHINA DANGER.

Japan Sends More Troops To Tsinan.

## SOUTH AND TSINGTAO.

Lull Before A Big Thrust For the Port.

Although the anti-Japanese boycott is spreading on account of Japanese military movements in North China, the Japanese Government has decided to send two infantry battalions and other forces to Tsinan, a commercial city, south of Tientsin. Meanwhile there is a lull in the civil war pending a big thrust by the South to capture the important port of Tsingtao.

### MR. CHU CHAO-HSIN.

No Reply to a Request For Leave.

Geneva, July 7. The Chinese Minister in Rome and the Chinese representative to the League Council, Mr. Chu Chao-hsin are in a quandary.



Mr. Chu Chao-hsin, the Chinese delegate to the League Council, who has resigned.

They have applied for leave absence to the Peking Government but have received no reply, so Mr. Chu has resigned.

Mr. Chu recently issued a statement of the Cantonese Government's attitude towards the Naval Conference, and it is expected that in a few days he will issue a statement explaining his personal position towards the Peking Government.—Reuter.

Later.

Mr. Chu has announced that he has joined the Southern Nationalist Party. Consequently at the next League Council meeting and assembly he will represent the latter Government.—Reuter.

### JAPAN'S FORCES.

Protecting Tsinan and the Railway.

Peking, July 7. According to a Japanese official message from Tsingtao two infantry battalions and two machine-gun companies are scheduled to leave Tsingtao this morning for Tsinan, while other forces are proceeding to intermediate points on the railway.—Reuter

### Armoured Cars.

Shanghai, July 7. In connection with the arrival of Japanese troops at Tsinan, it is reported here that several armoured cars were among the reinforcements.—"Hong Kong Evening Post."

[Tsinan, in the province of Shantung, is 175 miles south of Tientsin. The city, which has a wall and three circuits of ramparts, manufactures silk and trades in imitation precious stones.]

### COMING CLASH.

South Preparing To Thrust At Tsingtao.

Shanghai, July 7. The Nationalists are apparently centralising their forces for the thrust against Tsingtao and the proposed Northward advance along the Tientsin-Pukow railway. Neither plan has yet been put into operation, but the present lull in operations is regarded as precedent to activities on a big scale. Other ports and the Yangtze generally remain quiet.—British Naval Wireless.

### TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 1/11 15/16

## HEAVY BURDENS.

Home Railways And Taxation.

### WHERE ROAD USERS SCORE.

Rugby, July 7. The National Union of Railwaymen, at their annual conference to-day protested against the heavy burdens British railways had to bear as compared with road traffic. It was pointed out that £1,200,000,000 were invested



Mr. J. H. Thomas.

in railways which paid £42,000,000 annually in local rates. Road users bore no such charges.

On the contrary towards the upkeep of the nation's roads only £20,000,000 a year were paid by the ratepayers.

Mr. J. H. Thomas, the railwayman's leader, declared that the railway companies by paying local rates thus actually subsidised their competitors, which unlike the railway that must carry traffic, could discriminate in favour of the most profitable loads.

A resolution was unanimously carried calling attention to the unfair handicaps under which the railways suffered and urging that a co-ordinate policy between all forms of transport should be introduced to provide a more efficient and more economical public service.—British Wireless Service.

## STORM AT HOME.

HEAVY RAINS SWEEP THE COUNTRY.

### LIGHTNING IN THE CHANNEL.

Rugby, July 7. Severe rain storms swept Southern England and Northern France last night, and heavy falls were general throughout the country. The storm was accompanied by lightning and thunder in many places.

During brilliant flashes at Folkestone the French coast was visible across the Straits of Dover.

The heaviest rainfall was recorded at Clacton-on-sea. In Essex, where in 15 hours nearly three inches were registered—nearly half as much rain as usually falls during the whole of July.

Dover recorded 2.81 inches which is the heaviest experienced for many years.

Roads in many places became impassable owing to floods and fields were submerged.—British Wireless Service.

## PIONEER'S DEATH.

GERMAN WHO WAS EDISON'S PARTNER.

Berlin, July 7. The death is announced here of Herr Signmund Bergmann, a pioneer in American and German electrical industry. Founder of the Bergmann Electric Company, he was at one time a partner of Thomas Edison in New York.—Reuter.

## ARMS' ON A SHIP.

REBEL PLOT NIPPED IN THE BUD?

New York, July 7. Government agents here believe they have nipped in the bud a South American revolution by discovering 350 rifles and 100,000 rounds of ammunition on a steamer tied up in the East River. The rifles and ammunition were hidden in sales labelled "hardware and cotton matting," addressed to Tumaco, Colombia.—Reuter's American Service.

## ATLANTIC FLIGHT.

British Airman Planning Attempt.

### A DISASTER AT HAWAII.

Rugby, July 7. Captain Mackintosh, an Imperial Airways pilot, states that he has completed arrangements for an attempt to fly non-stop from England to New York within the next few weeks.—British Wireless Service.

### Visiting London.

Rugby, July 7. Clarence Chamberlain, the American airman who recently flew across the Atlantic, is expected to arrive in England by air from Paris to-morrow.—British Wireless Service.

### Sailing for Home.

Paris, July 7. The chances of Commander Byrd and his companions visiting England are faint. They propose to sail for home on the "Leviathan" on Tuesday. After spending the week-end at

## TRAIN SMASH.

Heavy Casualties in Argentine Collision.

Buenos Aires, July 7. Twelve people have been killed and forty injured in a railway collision near Mendoza.—Reuter's American Service.

Dunkirk and Le Touquet, they were given a reception by the Chamber of Deputies. They lunched at the Ministry of Commerce and were given a reception at the Hotel de Ville.—Reuter.

Plane Crashes Into Sea.

Honolulu, July 7. Celebrations of farewell to Lieutenant Matilda and Lieutenant Hegenberger, the airman who flew across the Pacific to Hawaii, when an aeroplane piloted by Flight Lieutenant Williams, circling overhead, nose-dived into the sea and Williams was drowned.—Reuter's American Service.

Altitude Record.

Washington, July 7. Lieutenant C. C. Champion, of the Navy, is credited by the National Aeronautic Association with a new world's altitude record for seaplanes, namely 37,995 feet, compared with the recent 30,479 feet record by the French naval Lieutenant de Mougeot.—Reuter's American Service.

A Terror of the Air.

New York, July 7. It is stated that the War Department is constructing a military two-engine aeroplane of 950 horse-power, Fokker design, to carry five machine-guns and 3,000 lbs. of high explosives to bombard land and sea forces.—Reuter's American Service.

## GOOD FAITH.

GERMANY AND DISARMAMENT DEMANDS.

Berlin, July 7. The Reichstag by 309 to 44 votes adopted the war material bill forbidding the export of certain categories of goods which might be used as instruments of war.

Speakers claimed that by the adoption of the bill Germany fulfilled all her disarmament obligations and therefore no excuse left for the continued occupation of German soil.—Reuter.

## BOAT IN FLAMES.

WEALTHY CHICAGO MAGNATE DROWNED.

Sudbury, Ontario, July 7. Mr. W. L. Hodgkins, the millionaire president of the Brownell Improvement Company of Chicago, has been drowned with two members of the crew of a motor boat which caught fire while sailing in Georgian Bay, Lake Huron. Four others, including two girls, were saved by swimming half a mile to the shore.—Reuter.

## HOSPITAL COMFORTS.

The Committee acknowledges, with thanks, receipt of the following for the hospitals:—Parcels of magazines from Mrs. A. H. Hamilton, Mrs. A. R. Sutherland and the Hon. Mr. Owen Hughes.

## SOCIETY WEDDING.

American Ambassador's Daughter.

### BRILLIANT LONDON SCENES.

London, July 7. The public was so interested in the marriage of Miss Matilda Houghton, daughter of the American Ambassador, to Mr. Chandler P. Anderson, only son of the C. P. Andersons of Washington, at St. Margaret's, Westminster,



ALANSON P. HOUGHTON

that a special control of police was necessary.

Most of the American colony in London attended the ceremony and an unusually distinguished congregation included diplomats from every country.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Baldwin, Sir and Lady Chamberlain and numerous other English politicians and their wives were present.

The church was decorated with Easter lilies, blue hydrangeas and ropes of laurel.

There were ten bridesmaids and twelve groomsmen, of whom nine travelled from America. The other three groomsmen were from the Embassy.

Canon Carnegie officiated, assisted by Bishop Brent.

A reception was held subsequently at the American Embassy and thereafter the happy couple left for a motor honeymoon trip in Scotland.

Mr. Anderson first met Miss Matilda Houghton in Scotland last year. Later he became Mr. Houghton's secretary in London and he is now in banking business in New York.—Reuter.

The bride's father has been Ambassador to Great Britain since March of 1925. A number of an old Massachusetts family, he entered the family business of glass manufacture, but turned to politics in 1919 when he was elected to Congress. He was appointed Ambassador to Berlin in 1921.

Mr. Chandler Parsons Anderson, the bridegroom's father, is a lawyer. Besides acting as counsel in a number of international disputes concerning treaties and kindred matters, he has been legal adviser for American embassies and legations in Europe on questions involving American interests arising out of the war.

## "KONG KU" PIRACY.

GUNBOAT ATTACKING RIVER JUNKS.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Kongmoon, July 4. The "Kong Ku," a double funnelled river gunboat, was taken by pirates by surprise while lying off Kumchuk. It is said that the crew mutinied. She now attacks passing junks and two regular Kongmoon junks have so far been pirated. The "Shiuhing" from Kongmoon escaped after a fight. The pirated gunboat is said to be between Wangmoon and Chu Tau Shan. Pakkai is now under martial law after dark.

It is reported that the Japanese counter proposal calls for a total auxiliary tonnage of 400,000 tons of which 250,000 tons will be cruisers and 200,000 tons destroyers.

It is learned that the ratio requested by Japan is fifteen for Britain and the United States and eleven for Japan.—Reuter.

Earlier Messages.

Washington, July 7. A surprise conference at the State Department between Mr. Kellogg and Sir Esme Howard has aroused speculations as to whether the negotiations are conducted with the apparent impasse in the Conference at Geneva.

Officials are reticent as to the object of the meeting and decline to discuss in detail the situation in Geneva, but intimate that a maximum of 400,000 tons for cruisers for Britain and the United States, mentioned by the American Delegation,

He was accused of giving 10,000 lire toabet in the attempt at aiding its execution and being present at Monte Croce where the details of the plot were organised.—Reuter.

## OVER A CUP OF TEA.

Geneva Experts Discuss Smaller Navies.

## SECRECY STILL THE RULE.

Japan Urging Lower Cruiser Tonnage.

Over a cup of tea in Admiral Saito's room, the chief delegates to the Geneva Naval Conference discussed the question of cruiser and destroyer tonnage, but owing to the strict secrecy being maintained it is impossible to size up the position to-day, beyond saying that the Japanese are out to reduce such tonnage as far as possible.

### "PRIMARY OBJECT."

The Japanese and Cruiser Tonnage.

Geneva, July 7. There is good reason to believe that the cruiser tonnage figures were discussed at yesterday's private meetings of the heads of delegations in Admiral Saito's room over a cup of tea, and that the naval experts more closely considered the matter to-day.

In view of the secrecy still maintained it is quite impossible at present to provide any definite or complete picture of the actual situation, but it may be stated that the

tion yesterday, may be regarded at least for the moment as America's limit.—Reuter's American Service.

Paris, July 7. M. Leygues, Minister of Marine, in an interview expressed the opinion that our friends at Geneva are unable to agree because each Delegation is conscious of its paramount responsibility for assuring the security of its own interests.

Pertinax in the "Echo de Paris," comments ironically that while prodigies of ingenuity by British and Americans may yet save the Conference, its failure will at least teach its participants the lesson of modesty. Perhaps Washington in future will think twice before rushing unprepared into such negotiations and London may not be so ready to hold up her hands in horror when France says that for us the safety of France must be the supreme consideration.—Reuter.

Interviewed by "Le Journal" M. Leygues, the Minister of Marine said that the Powers represented at the Naval Conference at Geneva could not yet reach agreement because they are conscious of their great responsibility, and the primordial necessity of safeguarding their respective national security.

The determination of the power of a navy must be based upon defensive necessities derived not from political concepts but from geographical position and the extent of coasts, the importance of colonies, and the development of industry and trade.

M. Leygues added that France asks nothing but what she obtained at the Washington Conference and is decided to give up nothing thereof.—Havas.

Increase in Construction Feared.

Geneva, July 7. The failure to surmount the difficulties encountered at the Naval Conference has engendered a feeling that the negotiations will result in a considerable increase in naval construction in the United States and Japan instead of in a reduction.

The greatest secrecy is observed in regard to the prolonged conversations on the cruiser problem, but apparently the difficulties have been removed.

The Japanese and American representatives had to refer the matter to their Governments.

The British naval experts are to-day conferring privately with American experts while the heads of the delegations will probably continue their private conversations inasmuch as capital ships are the next item on the agenda.—Reuter.

ARMLESS ARTIST.

MAN WHO PAINTED WITH HIS MOUTH.

DEATH OF MR. B. HILES.

London, July 7. The death is announced at Bristol of Mr. Bertram Hiles at the age of fifty-five. Mr. Hiles was well known as the armless artist who painted with his mouth and exhibited at the Royal Academy and all the leading exhibitions.

He lost both arms when a boy in a street accident and trained himself to use a pencil in his mouth.

The Bristol Academy of Fine Arts accepted his work when he was only sixteen.

Later productions attracted wide attention and readily sold.

He was elected in 1903 a member of the Union Internationale des Beaux Arts of Paris.—Reuter.

## WEATHER FORECAST.

S.W. winds, fresh, squally; generally overcast, occasional rain, is the forecast for the twenty-four hours ending at noon to-morrow. Meteorological observations at 6 a.m. to-day, barometer, 29.57; temperature, 84; humidity, 81; Wind, S.W. Force 6.



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## COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

## INSURANCE.

MEETINGS OF THREE BIG  
COMPANIES.

## SHANGHAI DEPRESSION.

Three well-known insurance com-  
panies held their annual meetings  
in Shanghai last week namely the  
Far Eastern Insurance Co., Ltd.,  
North China Insurance Co., Ltd.,  
and Yangtze Insurance Association  
Ltd. The first held was that of the  
Far Eastern at which Mr. E. T.  
Byrne presided over a meeting re-  
presentative of 34,274 shares.

The working account for 1925  
shows a balance at credit of Tls.  
87,356.89 which your Directors  
recommend be transferred to under-  
writing suspense account to close  
the account for the year 1925.

The working account for 1926  
shows a balance at credit of Tls.  
203,354.81. Your directors recom-  
mend that a dividend of Tls. 1.40  
per share be paid, absorbing Tls.  
59,400 and the remainder be  
carried forward.

The Chairman proposed and Mr.  
P. H. Nye seconded: That a divi-  
dend of one tael and 40 cents per  
share on the paid up capital of the  
Company, be declared payable on  
and after 1st July 1927 at the Hong  
Kong and Shanghai Banking Cor-  
poration, Shanghai to shareholders  
on record on June 13, 1927.

It was proposed by Mr. G. E.  
Griffin and seconded by Mr. G. C.  
Nazer that Messrs. H. E. Arnold,  
E. T. Byrne, V. Meyer and P. H.  
Nye be re-elected Directors to serve  
until the next ordinary general  
meeting of shareholders.

It was proposed by Mr. T. A.  
Clark and seconded by Mr. E. M.  
Clements that Messrs. Thomson and  
Co. be re-elected Auditors to serve  
until the next ordinary general  
meeting of shareholders and that  
their remuneration be subject to  
arrangement with the Directors.

At the annual general meeting of  
the shareholders of the North  
China Insurance Co. Mr. W. Nation  
presided and shares totalling 9,873  
were represented. Other Direc-  
tors present were Messrs. W. P.  
Lambe, H. Martin Little, F. W.  
Poate, R. W. Wells and G. Gordon  
Mackie.

The Chairman said:  
Working account for 1925.—The  
balance to be dealt with is Tls.  
328,445.36.

Your directors recommend the  
payment of a final dividend of 25  
shillings per share for the year,  
and the closing of the account by  
transferring the remainder to the  
credit of underwriting suspense  
account.

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about Tls. 358,000. This increase  
however is attributable to the lower  
rate of sterling exchange. Our re-  
venue in sterling is at about the  
same level as that of the previous  
year.

The balance at the credit of 1926  
working account, ie Tls. 573,549.48  
and your directors recommend that  
this be dealt with as follows:—  
To pay an interim dividend of  
25 shillings per share.

To pay the usual 20 per cent.  
bonus on Marine Contributory  
Premiums and to carry the remain-  
der forward.

The ratio of losses to premium  
is 53 per cent. compared with 46  
per cent. last year. It is to be  
hoped that the second year's pay-  
ments on this account will be  
lighter than usual.

Satisfactory increase.

Turning to the balance sheet  
there is a satisfactory increase in  
underwriting suspense account  
which is better indicated by the  
sterling than the local figures,  
222,600 against 222,000 last  
year. The very large increase in  
the local figures from Tls. 1,817,000  
to Tls. 2,476,000 is attributable  
principally to the fall in sterling  
exchange.

I now propose the adoption of  
the report and accounts and when  
this has been seconded I shall be  
glad to answer to the best of my  
ability any questions you may wish  
to ask.

Mr. E. T. Byrne seconded the adop-  
tion of the report and accounts.

The Chairman proposed and Mr.  
Griffin seconded that a dividend of  
£2.25 per share on the paid up  
capital of the Association be de-  
clared payable at exchange 73 on  
and after 1st July, 1927 at the  
Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking  
Corporation, Shanghai, to share-  
holders on record on 13th June,  
1927.

FOREIGN TRADE.

British Firm's Enterprise.

For the first time a British firm  
of advertising agents has opened a  
German branch. The firm is that  
of W. S. Crawford Ltd., and its new  
premises are in Berlin. "My reason  
for opening this office," said  
Mr. W. S. Crawford, "is a simple  
one. My firm exists to sell British  
goods; to sell them abroad as well  
as at home. I am putting my men  
where salesmen should always be  
in touch with the buyers. It was  
my recent visit to Leipzig Fair that  
showed me the necessity of this  
move. I saw, as no one could fail  
to see, the infinite care, the typical,  
painstaking Teutonic thoroughness,  
with which Germany is preparing  
to compete in the world's markets.  
The means to increase her trade;  
she is going all out to do it; and  
she has, beyond all shadow of  
doubt, the technical equipment. In  
every campaign, however carefully  
planned, there is a weak point. In  
this case it is German advertising  
—in skill and effectiveness far be-  
hind our own. We must advise  
British goods to the buying public  
on the Continent with all the skill  
and persistence at our command.  
The individual names of British  
products must become household  
words; the nature and features of  
each product must be known—and  
its price—and where it can be ob-  
tained. We mean to open up on  
the Continent a market that British  
trade has as yet scarcely begun to  
exploit."

Mr. H. Broadley, formerly secre-  
tary of the Imperial Economic Com-  
mittee, is to be in charge of the  
new Crawford office at Krausen-  
strasse 2, in Berlin, from which  
will be controlled all the firm's ad-  
vertising in Germany, Austria,  
Rumania, Czechoslovakia, and  
other countries of Central and  
Eastern Europe.

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SHOU J. CHEN,  
Manager.

Hong Kong, 19th February, 1927.

## EGYPTIAN COTTON.

REPORTS ON THE CONDITION  
OF CROPS.

Cairo, July 7.

The condition of the cotton crop  
to the percentage of normal is as  
follows:—Lower Egypt 102; Middle  
Egypt 100; and Upper Egypt 100.—  
Reuter.

## NEW DIVIDENDS.

Messrs. Carroll Bros. have been  
advised of the following dividends  
on rubber and mining shares:—

Dividends.

Melville (Johore) 12½ per cent.  
Final (17½ per cent. to date).

Balau, 6 Int.

Balgownie 15 per cent. Final  
(30 per cent. to date).

Lingit Tin 5 per cent. Int. (25  
per cent. to date).

Kinta Tin 1½ Final and 1½ Int.  
South Taiping 5 per cent. Int. (10  
per cent. to date).

## Quotations.

Allenby's ..... \$ 2.50 x.d.

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Jerams ..... 1.65

Jimaha ..... 2.25

Kedahs ..... 3.95

Lunas ..... 3.30

Pajams ..... 2.35

The condition of the cotton crop  
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follows:—Lower Egypt 102; Middle  
Egypt 100; and Upper Egypt 100.—  
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## MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The Ben Line s.s. "Benrackle"  
from Middlesbrough, Antwerp, Lon-  
don, Straits and Philippines, is due  
to arrive here to-morrow.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of  
Russia" left Yokohama on July 1,  
and is due at Vancouver on July 10.

The P. & O. s.s. "Novara" left  
Singapore for this port yesterday,  
at 6 p.m., with the outward mails,  
and is due here on June 11, at  
about 6 a.m.

The B. I. s.s. "Tara" left Singa-  
pore for this port on June 6 a.m.,  
and is due here on June 12, p.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of  
Canada" left Vancouver for Hong  
Kong, via Japan ports and Shang-  
hai, on June 30, is due here on  
July 13, and is due at  
Vancouver, B.C., on July 31.

The following vessels of the  
Compagnie des Messageries Mari-  
times are expected here:—

"Amazona," July 19.

"Yalou," July 22.

"Chenonceaux," August 2.

"Athos II," August 30.

"D'Artagnan," September 17.

## HONG KONG TIDE.

The tide-table given below has  
been obtained by aid of the Tide-  
predicting Machine, which in-  
cludes 40 components for the bet-  
ter prediction of tides, from the  
result of the analysis of the tidal  
observations, taken at the  
Kaulung tidal observatory under  
the direction of Dr. Doberck dur-  
ing the years 1887, 1888, & 1889.

The times and heights are given  
for Kaulung; but they may be  
used for the Victoria Naval yard  
and Aberdeen, the differences  
being very small.

The times of high and low  
water must not be considered to  
coincide with the times of slack-  
water and change of current, the  
two phenomena being quite  
distinct.

July 8 to 14, 1927.

DATE HIGH WATER LOWER WATER

July Standard Times Standard Times

Fri. 8 5 16 4.9 11 11 3.6

Sat. 9 5 42 4.3 11 39 3.4

Sun. 10 6 4 4.0 11 59 3.2

Mon. 11 6 31 3.7 12 19 3.0

Tues. 12



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## NOTICES.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG.

No. 1 of 1927.

COMPANIES WINDING UP.

In the Matter of the Companies Ordinances 1911-1925

and In the Matter of Davis Company, Ltd.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Petition for the Winding Up of the above named Company by the Supreme Court of Hong Kong was on the 21st day of June 1927, presented to the said Court by TONG SHU LUN of No. 189, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, and that the said Petition is directed to be heard before the Court sitting at 10.30 a.m. on the 27th day of July, 1927, and any Creditor or Contributor of the said Company desirous of supporting or opposing the making of an Order on the said Petition may appear at the time of hearing by himself or his Counsel for that purpose; and a copy of the Petition will be furnished to any Creditor or Contributor of the said Company requiring the same by the undersigned on payment of the regulated charge for the same.

HASTINGS, DENNIS & BOWLEY, Solicitors for the Petitioner.

Note.—Any person who intends to appear on the hearing of the said Petition must serve on or send by post to the above named notice in writing of his intention to do so. The notice must state the name and address of the person, or, if a firm, the name and address of the firm, and must be signed by the person, or firm, or his or their Solicitor (if any), and must be served, or if post, must be sent by post in sufficient time to reach the above named not later than 6 o'clock in the afternoon of the 26th day of July, 1927.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE FORTY-SIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on MONDAY, the 26th July, 1927, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th July to 8th August, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., General Managers. Hong Kong, 24th June, 1927.

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## UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

EASTERN EXTENSION

AUSTRALASIA & CHINA

TELEGRAPH CO.

List of Unclaimed Telegrams

lying in E. E. Telegraph Office.

Hong Kong.

Haiman, from Manila.

Khecho, from Townsville.

Lace, from Lockerbie.

Zhat care Krellin, from Rangoon.

E. A. LEGGATT, Superintendent.

Hong Kong, 7th July, 1927.

## THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH CO., LTD.

The following unclaimed tele-

grams are lying at the office of The

Great Northern Telegraph Company

(Limited):—

Rogers, from Tientsin.

Broadhurst, from Shanghai.

Astor House, from Kobe.

Sim Peak, from Chateauroux.

E. V. JESSEN, Superintendent.

Hong Kong Station, June 30.

## H.K.V.D.C.

VOLUNTEER ORDERS FOR THE

WEEK.

RECRUITS PARADES.

Reference Corps Order No. 1 of

last week all recruits except those

of the Portuguese Co., who have not

passed Musketry Tests Nos. 1 to 4

will parade for Musketry Instruction

at Volunteer Headquarters at

5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 12.

Dress: mufti.

For detail of Portuguese recruits

see below.

Allotment of Ranges.

The miniature and Kennedy Road

ranges are allotted to units during

next week as follows:—

Armoured Car Company, both

ranges, Monday.

Infantry Company, both ranges,

Tuesday.

Engineer and Artillery Com-

panies, both ranges, Wed-

nesday.

Scottish Company and No. 4

Platoon, both ranges, Thurs-

day.

Portuguese Company, both ranges,

Friday.

Casuals Part I.

The Peak Range is allotted to the

Scottish and Mounted Infantry

Companies on Sunday, July 23,

for firing of Casuals in Part I.

Table T.

Range Officers: Lieut. K. S. Mor-

rison and 2/Lieut. H. C. Mac-

namara.

Engineer Co.

On Wednesday, July 13, an En-

gineer Company team will shoot a

match with the 40th Company, R.E.,

on the Miniature Range. Team will

be advised later.

The monthly "Shoon" Shoot will

take place on Wednesday, July 27,

at 5.30 p.m.

Mounted Infantry.

All ranks will parade at Stables

on Thursday, July 14, at 5.30 p.m.

Dress: mufti.

Sunday, July 17, 1927. Tactical

ride under O.C. Company parade

at Stables at 2.15 p.m. Dress:

mufti.

Armoured Car Co.

Monday, July 11, and Thursday

July 14, at 5.30 p.m. Vickers gun

instruction and armoured car drill

and driving at Volunteer Head-

quarters. Dress: mufti.

Motor Cycle Section will parade

at Volunteer Headquarters on Mon-

day, July 11, at 5.30 p.m., for

machine gun instruction under

2/Lieut. J. E. Hancock.

All members of the motor cycle

Section are entitled to free driving

and cycle licences. They must

apply personally for same with full

particulars direct to Traffic Super-

intendent of Police, Central Police

Station.

Infantry Co.

On Fridays, July 15 and 22, at

5.30 p.m. All N.C.O.s and other

ranks as detailed by O.C. Company

will parade at Volunteer Head-

quarters at 5.30 p.m. for a special

N.C.O.s Course of Training in

Vickers gun.

Scottish Co.

Special Machine Gun Class as

already detailed in previous orders

will assemble at Volunteer Head-

quarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday,

July 12.

No. 4 Platoon.

All ranks will parade at Volun-

teer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on

Monday, July 11, and Thursday,

July 14, for musketry instruction.

Dress: mufti.

Portuguese Co.

Friday, July 8, Men detailed by

circular letter will parade for rap-

idloading and snaphooting practice

at miniature range.

There will be no Lewis gun class.

Sunday, July 10. Part I. mus-

ketry.

The above men will parade at

Peak range. Dress: Uniform op-

tional, but pones, belt, braces

and frog must be worn. Rifles and

bayonets to be drawn from store

on Friday, July 8 between 9 a.m.

and 12 noon, or 2 and 4 p.m., or

5 and 9 p.m. and on Saturday, July

9 between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Last tram up 8.20 a.m. Firing

commences 8.45 a.m.

This is the last opportunity of

firing Part I. and all those detailed

should make a point of attending

both above parades.

Recruits who have not passed

Musketry Tests Nos. 1 to 4 will

parade at Volunteer Headquarters

on Friday, July 15, at 5.30 p.m.

Rifles and Bayonets.

Those members of the Corps now

in possession of rifles and bayonets

must return them to Volunteers

store immediately for inspection by

the Armourer.

Sports Committee.

At a Sports Meeting held at

Volunteer Headquarters on June 17,

the following Sports Committee

were elected:—

President: Captain D. C. Logan,

M.C., Scottish Company. Hon.

Secretary: 2/Lieut. M. G. Noll,

Engineer Company. Members:

2/Lieut. T. A. Martin, Artillery

Company; Sergt. W. H. Owen,

Engineer Company; Pte. H. V.

Parker, Armoured Car Company;

Pte. C. D. Wales, Infantry Com-

pany; Drummer R. B. Bell, Scot-

tish Company; Pte. A. B. Barron,

Portuguese Company; Lieut. E. P.

Minett, T.D., V.D., Medical Sec-

tion; C.S.M. J. A. G. Leask, Reserve

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| ALIPORE    | 5,273  | 21st July                 | Straits & Bombay                   |
| MACEDONIA  | 11,120 | 23rd July                 | Marseilles & London                |
| KALYAN     | 9,144  | 27th July                 | Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull |
| NYANZA     | 7,023  | 3rd Aug.                  | Straits & Bombay                   |
| RASHGAR    | 9,005  | 6th Aug.                  | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |
| RAVALPINDI | 16,019 | 20th Aug.                 | Marseilles & London                |
| DEVANHA    | 8,155  | 3rd Sept.                 | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |
| MOREA      | 10,953 | 17th Sept.                | Marseilles & London                |
| KHYBER     | 9,114  | 1st Oct.                  | Marseilles & London                |

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|         |        |           |                              |
|---------|--------|-----------|------------------------------|
| TAKLIWA | 7,335  | 13th July | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta |
| TILAWA  | 10,005 | 22nd July | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta |
| SANTHIA | 7,754  | 12th Aug. | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta |

## EASTERN &amp; AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

|            |       |            |                                    |
|------------|-------|------------|------------------------------------|
| ARAFURA    | 5,000 | 29th July  | Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, |
| TANDA      | 6,958 | 2nd Sept.  | Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, &    |
| ST. ALBANS | 4,500 | 20th Sept. | Melbourne.                         |

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|            |        |           |                                 |
|------------|--------|-----------|---------------------------------|
| NOVARA     | 6,983  | 12th July | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| TARA       | 6,322  | 14th July | Amoy, Shanghai, Kobe & Osaka    |
| SANTHIA    | 7,754  | 18th July | Moji, Kobe & Yokohama           |
| RAWALPINDI | 16,019 | 22nd July | Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama       |
| DEVANHA    | 8,155  | 5th Aug.  | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| TANDA      | 6,958  | 9th Aug.  | Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama    |
| MOREA      | 10,953 | 19th Aug. | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| KHYBER     | 9,114  | 2nd Sept. | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |

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|---------------------------------------|------------|
| S.S. "CITY OF CHESTER" Via Suez Canal | 14th July. |
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| S.S. "CITY OF BEDFORD" Via Suez Canal | 14th Aug.  |
| S.S. "MENTOR" Via Suez Canal          | 28th Aug.  |
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80TH ANNIVERSARY.

May 27 last was the eightieth anniversary of the establishment of the Hamburg-American Line, whose first vessel, the full rigged sailing ship "Deutschland," 717 tons gross, made the trip from Hamburg to New York in October, 1848, in forty days, carrying ninety passengers.

The great advance in ship construction since then is illustrated by the fact that recently the newest ship of the line, the twin-screw oil burning turbine "New York," a vessel of 21,500 tons gross register, made the trip over the same route in nine days, carrying nearly 1,000 passengers, who enjoyed comforts and conveniences not dreamed of eighty years ago.

The line was founded by a group of Hamburg merchants on May 27, 1847, under the leadership of August Bolten, with a capital of 450,000 marks (approximately \$112,000) to establish regular connections between Hamburg and New York. In 1848 the fleet comprised three sailing vessels, the "Deutschland," "Nordamerika" and "Rhein."

## Transatlantic Trips.

In 1856, the line inaugurated a trans-Atlantic steamship service, with the steamers "Borussia" and "Hammonia." These were 2,000 ton, bark-rigged, screw steamers, each with one funnel. They were 320 feet long and 41 feet wide and maintained a speed of 12½ knots, making the voyage in fourteen days.

With new additions to the company's fleet, and the expansion of its services, the business grew steadily, until in 1885 the fleet consisted of twenty ocean steamers, which carried a total of 58,000 passengers and 420,000 tons of freight in 125 round voyages.

## Ballin Foresight.

In 1885 Albert Ballin became affiliated with the line. Due to his foresight, his untiring energy and activity, the Hamburg-American Line attained the pre-eminent position it enjoys in shipping circles prior to the World War. He planned an extensive shipbuilding campaign shortly after his entry into the company's management, and as a result thereof of regular weekly service was introduced in the North Atlantic service by the twin-screw passenger liners "Augusta Victoria," "Columbia," "Notman" and "Fuerst Bismarck." New freight and passenger ships were constructed and placed in operation, other lines were acquired, and new services established to various parts of the world, until, in 1914, the Hamburg-American Line was the greatest private steamship enterprise in the world.

The fleet at this time included 194 ocean steamers and 245 smaller harbour craft of various kinds, with a gross register of 1,360,350 tons, operating seventy-four different routes and serving more than 400 ports around the world. It included the largest and most modern steamers afloat—the "Imperator," "Vaterland" and "Bismarck"—which were so constructed and appointed to offer the passenger every possible comfort and luxury. During Mr. Ballin's regime the pleasure cruise was originated, and in 1890 the "Augusta Victoria" made the first extended cruise to the Mediterranean and Orient.

## Six New Steamers.

Immediately after the war, upon Albert Ballin's death, his co-workers applied themselves with zeal and energy toward rebuilding the shattered organization. At that time Dr. Wilhelm Cuno became general director. Since then six new steamers have been built for the New York service, the "Albert Ballin," "Deutschland," "Hamburg," "New York," "Westphalia" and "Thuringia." Recovery of the pre-war prestige of the line has been one of the marvels of the shipping world.

In 1920 the line entered into an agreement with the Harriman shipping interests, providing for co-operation of these two parties for a period of twenty years, effecting primarily the passenger and freight service between "Hamburg" and "New York." In August, 1922, this agreement was dissolved to the mutual satisfaction of the line, and the three United American Lines ships, the "Resolute," "Reliance" and "Cleveland," were acquired by the Hamburg-American Line.

At present the United American Lines act as general agents on this side of the Atlantic for the latter company, which ranks as the largest German shipping company and one of the largest in the world. The company's present gross tonnage of 1,023,241 comprises 136 ocean steamers, 31 motor ships and 221 miscellaneous craft, and its services extend to all parts of the world.

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S.S. "President Grant," American Mail Line, leaves Hong Kong for Victoria and Seattle via Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama at 7.00 a.m. on July 13, arriving at Seattle on August 1.

In addition, the "Reliance" took more than 2,000 passengers to and from the West Indies during a series of five cruises, and the "Resolute" conveyed approximately 400 tourists around the world.

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J. LIMAGE,

Agent.

Hong Kong, 5th July, 1927.

## GERMAN MANDATES.

Geneva, July 7.

The League of Nations' Mandates Commission has considered the question of the appointment of a German as a member. The majority agreed that there was no technical objection to the appointment of a new member. The minority, consisting of French, Belgian and Dutch representatives, abstained from registering an opinion owing to the political character of the question which was left open for the next Council meeting in September. —Reuter.

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| Aug. 2           | San Francisco | Mauretania                   | Sept. 1         | Phib-Cbg Sept. 7    |
| Aug. 10          | Seattle       | Olympic                      | Sept. 8         | Chgo-Smptn Sept. 12 |
| Aug. 18          | San Francisco | Borussia                     | Sept. 17        | Chgo-Smptn Sept. 23 |
| Aug. 24          | Seattle       | Homeric                      | Sept. 21        | Chgo-Smptn Sept. 27 |
| Aug. 30          | San Francisco | Aquitania                    | Oct. 1          | Chgo-Smptn Oct. 7   |
| Sept. 7          | Seattle       | Mauretania                   | Oct. 5          | Chgo-Smptn Oct. 11  |
| Sept. 13         | San Francisco | Leviathan                    | Oct. 15         | Chgo-Smptn Oct. 21  |
| Sept. 21         | Seattle       | Olympic                      | Oct. 22         | Chgo-Smptn Oct. 28  |
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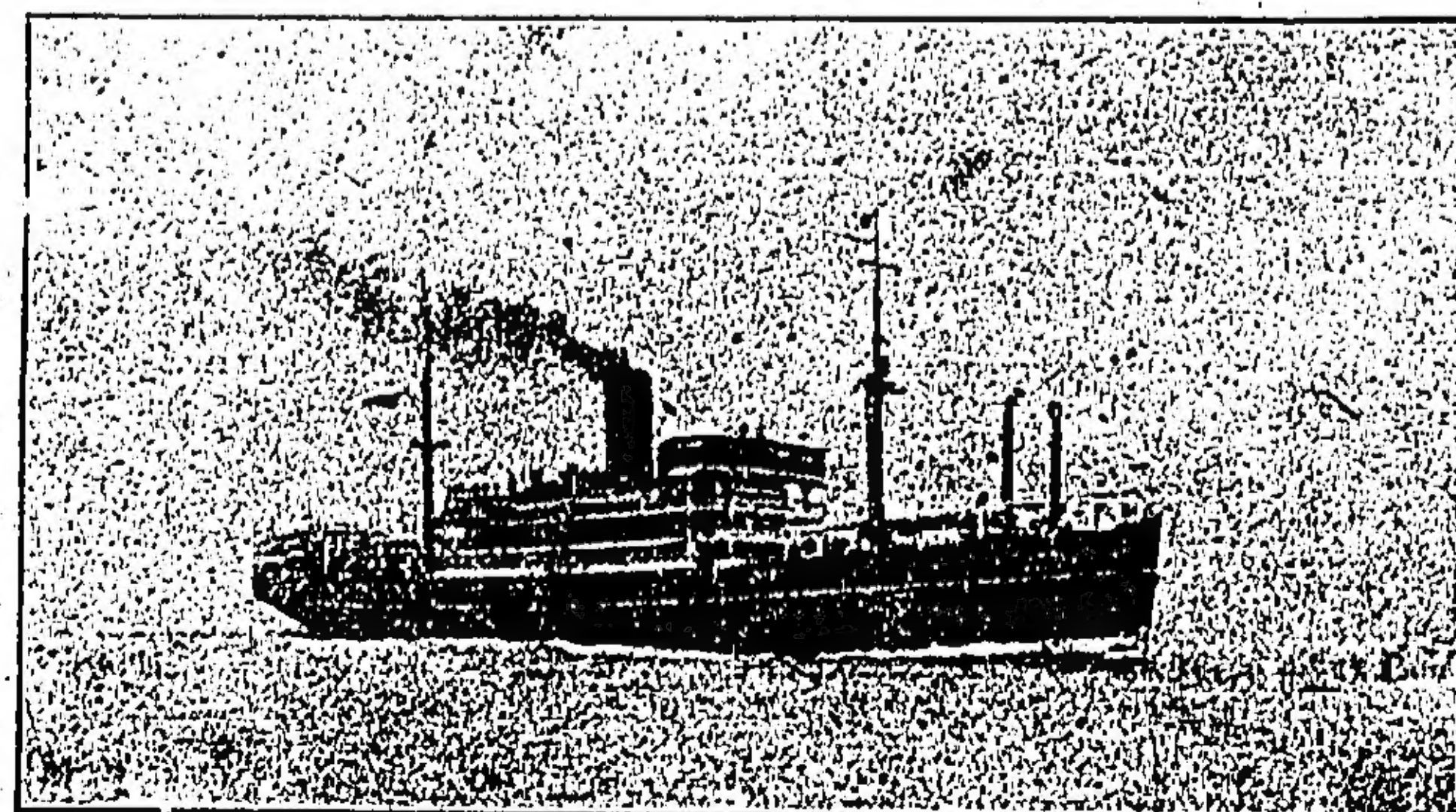
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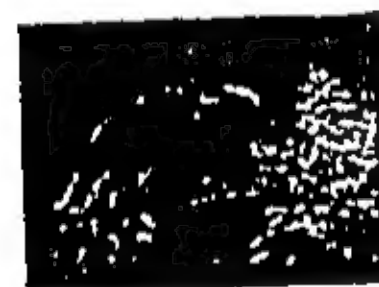
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### BIRTH.

HOYLE.—At the French Hospital  
on July 1, to Mr. & Mrs. W. F.  
Hoyle, a son.

Hong Kong, Friday, July 8, 1927.

### ILLEGAL STRIKES.

Hong Kong's illegal strikes  
measure, modelled on the lines of  
the legislation before the Home  
Parliament, has now passed into  
law. The local measure is in  
some respects more than a little  
sweeping, and there is no doubt  
that prior to 1922 it would have  
been received with some criti-

cism. The Colony has learned  
much, however, since 1922. Twice  
has it had to cope with general  
strikes engineered from outside  
for political purposes. During  
these periods of crisis the com-  
munity has had to be protected by  
special emergency legislation  
hastily introduced. Such legisla-  
tion, as was only natural, was re-  
sented by the workers at the  
time, anger and distrust being the  
ruling passions. But for all that  
it was vitally needed and had to  
be put through. The illegal  
strikes measure which has now  
passed into law goes no further  
in a general way than such emer-  
gency legislation, and in some re-  
spects not nearly so far. Thus  
the matter can be reduced to a  
very simple statement. The com-  
munity must be protected, both  
in the way of preventing a  
crisis and in the way of dealing  
with trouble when a crisis arises.  
Hitherto this protection could  
only be provided by introducing  
emergency legislation at a time

when such legislation could be  
described by our enemies as pro-  
vocative. The illegal strikes  
measure avoids this danger. It  
provides the protection the com-  
munity must have, and it pro-  
vides it without trespassing on any-  
one's toes. Moreover, as Sir  
Shou-son Chow said in the Legis-  
lative Council yesterday, there  
can be no question of the illegal  
strikes measure being denounced  
as a piece of racial legislation—as  
it certainly would have been had  
it been introduced in the heat of  
a political general strike—for it  
is in many respects the same as  
the measure now before Parlia-  
ment, conclusive proof that there  
is no intention of treating the  
Chinese differently from the Bri-  
tish. The need for the measure  
is even greater in Hong Kong  
than it is at Home, for in the  
Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton's  
words, the Colony is peculiarly  
situated on the borders of China,  
and in the heat of the political  
moment is particularly sensitive  
to political emotions. Thus it is,  
as Mr. Shenton added, essential  
that this Colony should control its  
own house, and it is equally es-  
sential that there should be no con-  
trol from without. For these rea-  
sons there will be general satisfac-  
tion that the illegal strikes mea-  
sure has now passed into law.

### Newspaper Advertising.

In America last year \$235,000-  
000 was spent in newspaper adver-  
tising, this huge figure repre-  
senting an increase of fifteen  
million dollars over that for 1925.  
To many this will appear a  
stupendous amount of money to  
lay out simply for the satisfac-  
tion of seeing notices in print;  
many, no doubt, will consider the  
expenditure wasteful, perhaps  
criminally wasteful seeing how  
"hard" are times in other parts  
of the world. Well, it is a tidy  
sum, two hundred and thirty-five  
million dollars, but apparently  
its allocation for this form of  
publicity was justified, as the  
people who furnished the money  
are not complaining. The big  
advertisers realize that the per-  
son who has money to spend buys  
on information. He travels be-  
cause he knows when and where  
and how—thanks to the news-  
paper advertisements. He (and  
she) dresses according to  
thoughts suggested by advertise-  
ments. And so on throughout  
the activities of life. And not  
only does the big advertiser  
realize this. His smaller business  
colleague is rapidly becoming  
aware of the vast possibilities of  
that tremendous force, news-

### CORRESPONDENCE.

#### REGARDING COLONIAL ALLOWANCES.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")  
Sir,—I wonder, if through the  
medium of your valuable paper, I  
could obtain the information re-  
quired on the above subject. I  
would ask, (a) When is Colonial  
allowance admissible and why?  
(b) Why is it granted ONLY to  
Officers in China?

I have always opined, that  
Colonial allowance was granted to  
officers and other ranks, for one of  
two reasons (apart, of course,  
from the very essential qualifica-  
tion that they must be serving in  
a Colony). That the accommoda-  
tion for officers and O.R.'s is not  
exactly what it should be, that is  
to say, it is not exactly up to the  
required standard, or, (II) that  
the cost of living is abnormally  
high in the Colony. I contend,  
that, if any one of the reasons  
quoted is a basis for the grant of  
Colonial allowance; then the Bri-  
tish soldier, serving in China, is  
entitled to such payment be he  
officer or otherwise. My chief  
reason for thinking so is this:—

I had the good fortune (?) to  
serve in Mesopotamia during the  
whole of 1923, during which per-  
iod, all officers and O.R.'s of the  
unit in which I was serving, were  
in receipt of Colonial allowance,  
from the date of arrival in  
Basra, until the day of departure;  
the rate payable to a soldier under  
the rank of Sergeant, being one  
shilling and eight pence per diem.  
The barracks in Hinaidi, just  
on the outskirts of Baghdad, was  
a Palace in comparison to the  
Rope Factory at Mau Tau Kok, at  
least, one didn't have to live and  
have his being on the "sardine  
principle," without fans, and in  
the vicinity of a pig's slaughter-  
house. As a matter of fact, living  
under such conditions, would not  
be tolerated in Mesopotamia, dur-  
ing the period under review. The  
prices of foodstuffs, cigarettes,  
and other necessities of the sol-  
dier, were no dearer, than they  
are in Hong Kong at the moment.

In the face of such facts, one  
wonders why, the Tommy "in  
Mesopotamia," should get his Colonial  
allowance, while ONLY Officers  
and Warrant Officers, are allowed  
it in China. Probably someone  
will say, that the climate of  
Baghdad is a sufficient reason in  
itself, to warrant the grant of the  
allowance. My answer to that  
would be that I should prefer  
serving five years in "Mesopotamia,"  
than five months in China. And  
I should not be alone in my choice.  
There are a good many others  
who would prefer the heat of  
Mesopotamia, to the stench of  
the various Chinese villages, one  
encounters in the course of duty.

Yours, etc.,

90th.

Hong Kong, July 7.

#### COMMENT & INDIGNATION

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")  
Sir,—May I encroach once more  
on the columns of your valuable  
paper re "Tommy's Smokes"?  
I am very glad to see the num-  
ber of letters that have been sent  
to the Press regarding "Tommy's  
Smokes" and to see that we have  
gentlemen as well as men in the  
British Army.

"British Boy" will now perhaps  
realise the enormous mistake he  
has made. It has caused endless  
comment and indignation among  
the whole of the troops in the  
Colony, and I sincerely hope he  
has the manliness and decency  
to make a public written apology  
to the ladies and gentlemen of  
the Y.M.C.A.

Yours, etc.,

"QUEEN'S."

#### PERVERTER OF TRUTH.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")  
Sir,—With reference to "Bri-  
tish Boy's" letter under the above  
heading appearing in your paper  
on the 3rd inst., may I have the  
pleasure of answering his letter  
through your columns?  
I, like many more of my com-  
patriots serving with the Defence  
Force, was astonished to open  
the paper on the 3rd inst., and  
find there a letter inserted by a  
British soldier, accusing the  
Y.M.C.A. of robbing the British  
Forces.

He states that he was robbed  
of two cents, by having to pay  
17 cents for a packet of Capstan  
cigarettes, his "posh" fags, as he  
can purchase the same cigarettes  
outside from the Chinks for 15  
cents. Please excuse me, dear  
"British Boy" for calling you a  
liar.

paper advertising. Hence the  
growth in annual volume of this  
form of publicity. Think of what  
the world would be without news-  
papers. And think of what the  
newspapers would be without ad-  
vertisements! As has been said  
before, "great is advertising,  
and the greatest of all advertis-  
ing is newspaper advertising."

I have been in this country  
since early March of this year,  
and I can safely say that neither  
"British Boy" or anyone else can  
purchase Capstan's cigarettes for  
15 cents in a Chinese shop.

Woodbines cost 10 cents, Gold  
Flake and Players 15 cents, and  
Capstan's 17 cents. Why Cap-  
stan's are 17 cents I am sorry I  
can't say, but they are 17 cents  
anywhere.

"British Boy" can't make out  
why Gold Flake, Players, and  
Capstan's all cost the same price  
at Home, i.e. 6d. per packet, and  
out here they cost so much as 15  
and 17 cents a packet. Perhaps  
after a little more service in the  
country he will understand that  
there are 25 cents in 6d., there-  
fore the actual price of Gold Flake  
and Players is only 3 3/4d., and  
Capstan's 4 1/4d., which is less  
than he has to pay for his  
"posh" fags at Home.

He says that through having  
been charged 17 cents for his  
Capstan's, it goes to prove the  
story that he has heard from  
some Barrack Room Lawyer, to  
the effect that the Y.M.C.A. did  
nothing else during the Great  
War, but rob the troops.

Does this "British Boy" realise  
for one minute how he must have  
hurt the feelings of those ladies  
and gentlemen who every night  
in the week, work hard in their  
spare time, behind the counter of  
the Y.M.C.A. to make us chaps  
feel comfortable away from  
home?

I served during the Great War,  
and made use of the Y.M.C.A. and  
found no cause for complaint, but  
say the same as I say about them  
out here, that they are a God-  
send. This place is miserable to a  
lot of us; but for the Y.M.C.A.  
it would be worse. I have also for  
years after the war, made use  
of the Y.M.C.A. at Home and in  
India and found no complaint.

Compare the Y.M.C.A. with the  
N.A.A.F.I. When we came out  
here, we had to pay 14 cents for a  
packet of Woodbines, and 10 cents  
for a bottle of lemonade. At pre-  
sent in the N.A.A.F.I., a bottle of  
lemonade costs 6 cents, and a  
packet of Woodbines, 5 cents. The  
Y.M.C.A. kept in ice only costs 5  
cents. Their tea is plentiful, and  
their cakes are large and a good  
variety. Over and above this,  
free writing paper, envelopes, pen  
and ink are supplied, books and  
newspapers to read, games to  
play, whist drives, outings, and  
concerts are arranged to amuse  
us, and you can eat or drink with  
safety, for everything is kept  
spotlessly clean.

I sincerely hope that those  
ladies and gentlemen of the  
Y.M.C.A. who are giving their  
spare time to make us chaps feel  
comfortable, won't take "British  
Boy's" false accusations so very  
to heart, and think that his opinion  
is the opinion of BRITISH SOL-  
DIERS.

We appreciate your great  
efforts to keep us happy, and trust  
that the Y.M.C.A. will carry on its  
good work, and I ask "British  
Boy," if he is British, to be  
BRITISH, and make his identity  
known along with a letter of  
apology to the ladies and gentle-  
men whom he has falsely accused  
of robbing him.

"British Boy," take my tip, and  
in future look before you leap, and  
never again let your ignorance get  
the better of you!

Yours, etc.,

"RIFLEMAN."

Hong Kong, July 7.

#### "REGIMENT OF TOFFS."

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")  
Sir,—"British Boy" in his ridi-  
culous letter states that when in  
France and afterwards he heard  
of overcharging by the Y.M.C.A.,  
and I notice that it is behind the  
lines he speaks of, does he remem-  
ber those shelters up near the  
FRONT line when the Y.M.C.A.  
gave out hot tea and biscuits free  
to the troops passing up and down  
to the trenches.

Personally, I served in France  
and can state that I never once  
came across the profiteering sug-  
gested; but then some of us were  
at the front!

What a great to-do about 2  
cents! It does not leave much  
doubt about the nationality (not  
Scotts) of some "British Boys,"  
and I have purchased Capstan  
Cigarettes in the Y.M.C.A.  
and only paid 15 cents per packet,  
whilst in my own Canteen we pay  
17 cents. Who is the profiteer;  
the Canteen or the Y.M.C.A.?

To any right thinking soldier,  
the Y.M.C.A. stands for comfort,  
fair dealing and generosity. We  
soldiers appreciate the work and  
the workers, and none of us  
imagine for one moment that  
"British Boy" is doing anything  
but look for a "grouse" and to see  
his own letter in the papers. Not  
a very fine ideal!

By the way, we must be a  
"Posh" regiment of "Toffs" as  
Capstan cigarettes are the rule  
for smoking with us and not the  
exception!

Yours, etc.,

"KOBIE."

Hong Kong, July 7.

### P'RAPS—P'RAPS NOT!

As a train was going through a  
station, one of the passengers lean-  
ed out of the window, over-  
balanced, and fell out. Fortu-  
nately he landed on a sand heap, so  
that he did himself no great injury.  
"What shall I do?" he asked a  
porter.  
"You're all right, mister," said  
the porter calmly, "your ticket  
allows you to break your journey."

A London item says that suits of  
tomato red, sunshine yellow, and  
raisin purple will be worn by the  
well-dressed Englishman this year  
"if the recommendations of the Na-  
tional Federation of Merchant  
Tailors are accepted by the public."  
If! One tailor might make an  
Englishman a "tomato," or  
"sunshine yellow," or "raisin pur-  
ple" suit, but forty tailors would  
not be able to make the average  
Englishman wear it.

Doctor: "Now, with regard to  
that cut on the top of your head,  
I don't think it will be serious, but  
you must keep your eye on it."

He had been dining too well  
with a friend who prided himself  
on the possession of a small art gal-  
lery.

"After dinner they adjourned to the  
art gallery, and the friend pointed  
out a landscape and asked:—

"Well, what do you think of that?  
Isn't it fine?"

The answer came rather un-  
steadily:—

"A beautiful, old chap—very  
fine—awfully good! The trees  
wave 'bout so na'shally!"

"I am working for the support of

literature."

"What are you doing?"

"Making bookcases."

"Do you believe that story about

Lot's wife?" I asked a friend.

"Dunno. Haven't thought of it,"

said he.

"How surprised the old chap must

have been when he found his

wife salt."

"No more than I was when I

found mine was pepper."

After that there was no more to

be said.

When it comes to concrete roads,

motorists have no objection to hav-  
ing a hard road to travel.

The one on the ground: Hey

there, lady, you just ran over my

foot.

The one in the car: Oh, I'm so

sorry.

"That's all right, lady, I have an-

other one."

He: There's too much rouge on

your lips.

She: Well, you know what you

can do, don't you?

"Her smooth boneless hands were

clasped."—Serial in Home paper.

A Cape ostrich at the London Zoo

has died as a result of trying to

swallow a tin-opener.

The poor bird was under the de-  
lusion it was canned.

When money is "tight" it means

it is locked up. Often the same

happens to a man.

"Hands up!"

"I can't! I've broken my

braces."

"But where are you off to,

mother?"

"I'm going home to dress myself

decently—like the others."

Examiner: "Can you tell me the

principal parts of the rifle?"

"Hush! Don't ask me to divulge

the secrets of the National De-  
fence."

An inscription on a tombstone:

"John Dixon struck a match to see

if there was petrol in his tank.

There was. Aged fifty-six."

Mrs. Gossippe (in conversation

intended for adult ears only): "My  
dear, have you heard that a-w-t-u-l-  
t-a-l-a about Mrs. C-r-o-s-y and  
C-a-p-t-a-n? It's simply s-c-a-n-  
d-a-l-o-u-s!"

Peggy: "There's only one 'I' in  
scandalous, mummy."

Hostess: "Mr. Macpherson, would  
you like something Scotch—the  
real thing?"

Macpherson: "Well, that's aw-  
fully good of you—"

Hostess: "Of course you would.  
Mary, bring out that pot of Dundee  
marmalade!"

The village fire brigade had not  
had a job for years, but at last they  
had a call, and they manfully  
trundled their engine to the spot.  
When they arrived, volumes of  
smoke were issuing from the build-  
ing, but no flames.

Capital walked round the place  
once or twice, and then lit his pipe  
and began to smoke. "We'd better  
leave it alone and let it burn up a  
bit," he said. "Then we'll be able  
to see what we are doing."



## LOCAL RADIO.

## AMBITIOUS SCHEME FOR BROADCASTING.

## HOPES FOR FUTURE.

An ambitious scheme for broadcasting locally music, news items and lectures on current topics was outlined by Mr. R. Sutherland at the annual meeting yesterday of the Hong Kong Radio Society.

The scheme is in connection with the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A. Entertainment organization and the transmitter it is proposed to use is that bought from the local radio society. As there were several drawbacks to the previous site of the Radio Society's experiments with the set—at the "South China Morning Post" building—owing to proximity to the Post Office, the set has been installed at No. 23 Praya East which it is proposed to make the new broadcasting centre.

## A Generous Donation.

The scheme is held up at present, by the lack of valves, the purchase of which was being arranged for. A certain amount of funds are in hand, it was indicated, owing to the generosity of a prominent local sporting club which had made a donation to the Y.M.C.A. Entertainment Committee, earmarking a portion for wireless experimental purposes.

This money, however, was gradually being eaten into, said Mr. Sutherland, and they would be very glad if anyone who had the interests of wireless and the scheme at heart would send in donations either to Mr. Hunt of the Y.M.C.A. or to himself. He was not blind to the fact that there might be disappointments in connection with the scheme said Mr. Sutherland. He had been told by those with a full knowledge of wireless and local conditions that the difficulties were such that no scheme would be a success.

With all deference to the opinions of those who were acquainted with the peculiar local conditions to be overcome, he looked back to a local demonstration of wireless communication between Hong Kong and Kowloon which had been arranged some six or seven years ago when he, together with other shipping representatives, had been present.

## Reason For Optimism.

On that occasion, those listening in could hear those taking part before the microphone at the transmitting end as easily as if they had been in the same room. If such results could be obtained at that time, he was of the opinion that to-day, with the many improvements which had taken place, the present scheme was quite feasible, said Mr. Sutherland.

If the scheme materialised—and there was every indication that it would—it was proposed to install receiving sets in the present temporary military depots and hospitals, civilian hospitals and various other places such as the three Y.M.C.A.'s, Seamen's Home, Soldiers' Club, Naval Canteen and the Sailors' Home. In the winter time, again, there would be the troop camp in the New Territories.

The Navy had not been left out of their calculations and it was hoped to loan or provide receiving sets for the warships in harbour. An important consideration was the claim of the flotilla on the Canton delta. He had been told by the men on the patrol boats that a band concert at night would be a very welcome diversion in what was a lonely sort of life.

## Current Topics Lectures.

Mr. Sutherland indicated that preliminary permission had been given for the aid of the various military bands at present in the Colony, and regarding other entertainment he had no hesitation in saying that if they were to take the generous work of those who were now providing the troops with concerts as a criterion, they need not have any fear that there would be insufficient artists to provide concerts. The University had also been got in touch with and the Vice-Chancellor, Mr. Hornell, and the professors had promised to give the scheme all possible assistance.

In the programmes it was hoped to broadcast, they intended to include, in addition to entertainment, lectures and essays on various subjects, particular interest being paid to China, Japan and nearby countries. The Government had also indicated interest and willingness to co-operate and there did not appear to be any difficulties in the way of Government permission for the power it was intended to use for transmitting. If financial assistance was required, it was

## UNUSUAL ACCIDENT.

## WORKMAN INJURED IN LIFT SHAFT.

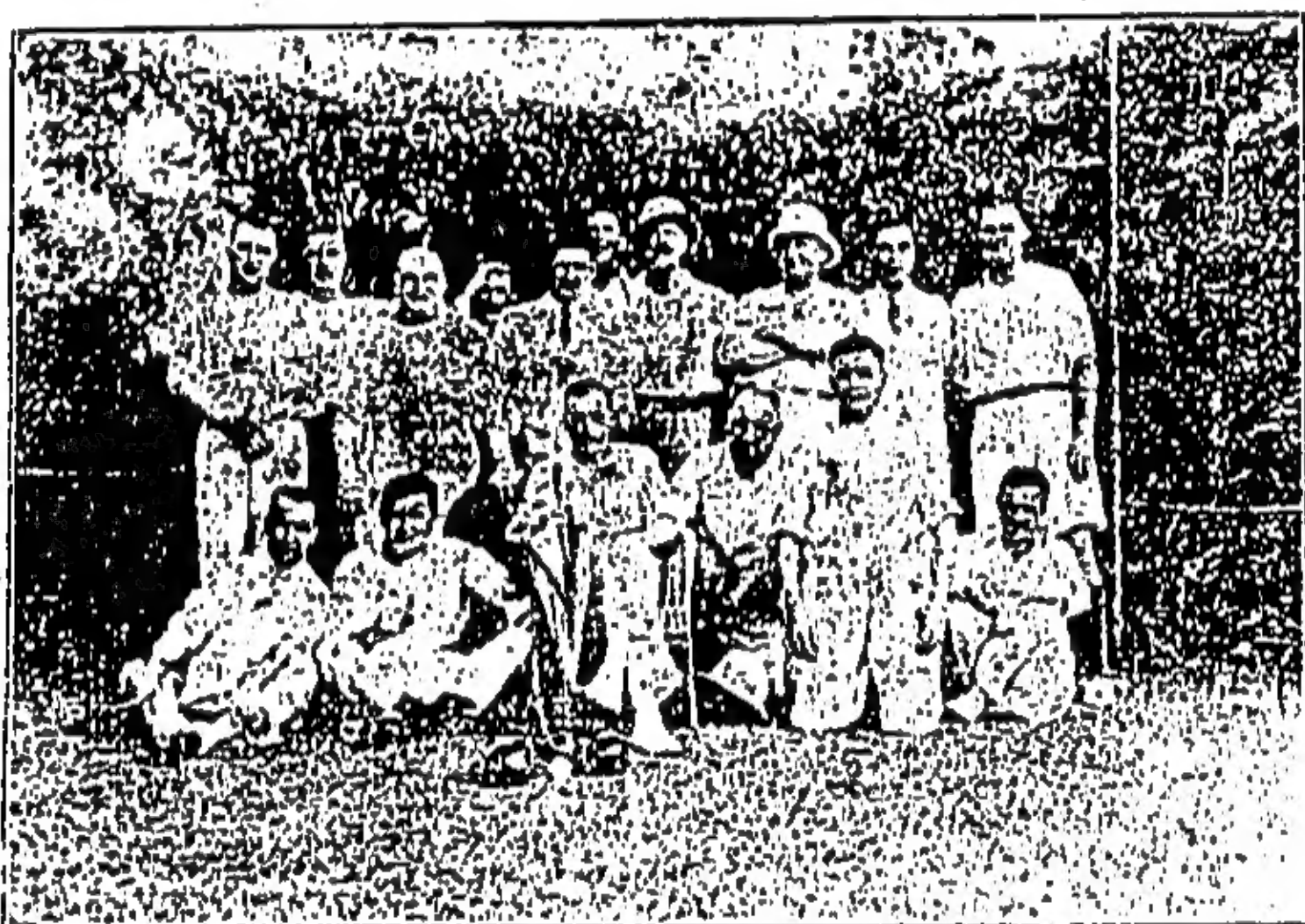
## CHINA BUILDING MISHAP.

A somewhat unusual accident occurred in the China Building soon after 9 a.m. to-day, the victim being a contractor's man, who was engaged in whitewashing one of the lift shafts. As it was impossible to erect scaffolding in the narrow confines of the shaft, the man did his work from the roof of the lift, the liftman taking him a few feet higher up the shaft as the work proceeded.

The lift having reached the top floor level this morning, the current was automatically cut off so that the lift could not proceed higher unless the lock lever was released by the man in charge of the lift motor situation on the roof of the building.

Not realising this, the workman stuck his head out of an air opening on the side of the shaft, just above the roof of the lift, and called out to the liftman to put on more current. The motorman on the roof heard the call and thinking it had come from the liftman, he released the lock lever. The lift moved a couple of feet above the top floor level, and workman's head was caught in the top of the air opening. He was badly injured.

Luckily the liftman reversed when he felt the jam, and returning to the top floor level, he left the lift and went for assistance, and the injured man was extricated. The police and a doctor were sent for, and after the man had been given an injection of morphia he was taken to the Government Civil Hospital by Detective Sergeant MacDonald. Everything is being done for the unfortunate man, and as his neck was not broken, hope is entertained of saving his life.



Photograph taken at Taiipo last Sunday afternoon when the Taiipo bowlers beat the Kowloon Bowling Green Club by 41-18.

## ROBBERS' AUDACITY.

A grocer's shop in the Main Street, Kowloon City, was raided by three armed robbers at 8 o'clock last night. The men did not make any attempt to conceal the reason of their visit. They frankly said that they had not come to purchase anything, they were simply wanted money. The master of the shop and his family were completely taken back by the audacity of the robbers, and were easily cowed. While the men with the revolvers kept guard over the herded shop people, the other man broke open the till and helped himself to all the takings, amounting to \$152. All three men then coolly walked out of the shop and made good their escape.

hoped that the Government would not turn a deaf ear.

## Future Development.

The point arose that the troops now in Hong Kong which had given the spur to the movement were only here for a certain length of time. It seemed to him, however, that if broadcasting could only be started some permanent interest might develop in the future. Hong Kong seemed to be lamentably behind in radio matters. The Colony was still short of direction finding apparatus but he thought everyone would agree it was a great pleasure to know that the Government had at last awakened and was taking the matter in hand.

In conclusion, Mr. Sutherland said he thought the scheme was of considerable interest to the Radio Society. It might be the means of pulling the Society together and making radio in Hong Kong a little more successful than it had been in the past.

## Radio Society Officers.

The annual report and balance sheet of the Society were adopted and the following officers elected:—President, Mr. C. D. Melbourne, Vice-President, Mr. A. J. Chesterton, Hon. Secretary, Mr. H. G. Swinburne, Hon. Treasurer, Mr. J. R. Way, Committee:—Messrs. D. Tolan, G. F. Taylor, Q. M. S. Roberts, H. C. Fung, P. A. Rosario, and Dr. Tai Tung-kee.

## ILLEGAL STRIKES.

## LOCAL MEASURE BECOMES LAW.

## YESTERDAY'S MEETING.

Support was given at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council to the Bill declaring and amending the law relating to illegal strikes and lock-outs, Sir Shou-son Chow speaking in favour on behalf of the Chinese community and Mr. W. E. L. Shenton on behalf of the Justices of the Peace.

The Bill was read a second and third time and passed. The Attorney-General (Sir Joseph Kemp, K.C.) referred to minor amendments in the original draft.

Sir Shou-son Chow, speaking on behalf of himself and fellow representative of the Chinese community, said they considered the Bill very necessary and thought it would go a long way to preventing the political strikes such as had been experienced in 1922 and 1925. The measure was not in the nature of class legislation as it affected the actions of employers as well as employees, neither was it in any way a racial measure as its effects were irrespective of race or creed.

## Protecting Workmen.

One of the basic principles of the Bill, said Sir Shou-son Chow, was to afford protection to the law abiding workman who only wanted to be left alone to earn an honest living. Strikes were double-edged weapons which injured the strikers just as well as the people struck against. They caused untold losses and widespread distress and misery to all classes. Thousands and

thousands of honest working men had in recent years been forced to give up their means of livelihood at the dictates of a few individuals who batted on the ignorance and gullibility of the masses.

It was this class of mischief-maker that the Bill was designed to deal with. It was in no way a repressive measure and would not interfere with the law-abiding working men. In the event of a wage dispute between employers and employees, the mediation of the Government could be invoked by the two parties to bring about a satisfactory settlement. The Government was not unmindful of the legitimate aspirations of the working man to better his conditions of living. But the realisation of such aspirations could only be possible if the Colony enjoyed peace and prosperity, if its industrial life pursued its normal course, and if Capital and Labour loyally co-operated for a common purpose.

In conclusion, the senior Chinese representative said he believed that this Bill, more than anything else he could conceive of, would materially help in the bringing about of these conditions.

## Mr. Shenton's Support.

Mr. W. E. L. Shenton supported the Bill as representative of the Justices of the Peace. It was essential in this Colony, he said, that we should entirely control our own house, and equally essential that we should be in a position to ensure that there should be no interference from without. As to whether the strikes of 1922 or 1925 were illegal strikes or would have become illegal strikes he did not think any good purpose would be served in investigating at the present time but what was needed—and this was what the Bill provided—was a statutory declaration as to what was an illegal strike.

Mr. Shenton reviewed the various provisions of the Bill, summarising the more vital ones as determining the right of the individual to carry on his avocations according to his own wishes, the right of the individual to exercise his own discretion, the right of the public to protection

## "THE ROSARY."

## WILBUR SUCCESS AT THE STAR THEATRE.

## NEW FARCE TO-MORROW.

The Wilbur Players at the Star Theatre last night made a success of a four act "comedy-drama" called "The Rosary." Through it runs the strains of the familiar song. Mr. N. Anthony Baker, who seems to have a penchant for clerical parts—he has given us two studies of parsons in the three plays so far produced this season by the Wilbur—was a capital Irish-American priest, Father Kelly by name. Still, Mr. Baker is always good, is a sterling actor and one who can keep a company together as well as getting the most out of his own part. Next I liked Mr. Michael Dupre, who took the part of a youngster very much in love with an Irish lass who won't marry him because he doesn't know much about that wonderful and sorrowful country, begorra! Mr. Dupre's was a smallish part, but it was excellently rendered. Of the ladies Miss Florence Printy gave a capable double role as a pair of sisters and Miss Florence Underhill was a mirth provoking "slavey," proving a delightful butt for the witticisms of Mr. Richard Wilbur, in the part of an ex-prize fighter turned butler. Mr. Kenward Wright was as beastly as a stage villain is expected to be, and gave a good interpretation of a polished rogue who financially ruins his friend, makes love to his friend's wife, and betrays his friend's wife's sister. As the friend Mr. Kneeland Parker did not seem at home in the part and at times overacted. His "tense" passages didn't seem to come across to the audience. Still, "The Rosary" provided an enjoyable evening's entertainment. To-morrow the Wilbur Players present "The Whole Town's Talking."

—H. C.

## CURRENT STOLEN?

## CHARGE AGAIN RESTAURANT PARTNER.

Before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, a partner of the Sun Kwong Restaurant was charged with stealing electric current by tampering with the meters on the premises.

Mr. H. J. Armstrong appeared for the China Light and Power Company, while the defendant was represented by Mr. G. R. Hayward.

Opening his case, Mr. Armstrong submitted that the defendant was the responsible party because he had signed the application for the installation of electricity in the restaurant.

Mr. Hayward replied to this by saying that his client was only responsible for payment for electricity consumed. He contended that there could be no case against the defendant unless it could be proved that he had actually taken the electricity himself. Defendant could not be held criminally responsible for the action of an agent.

Mr. Armstrong argued that the defendant was one of those who would benefit by the abstraction of electricity which must have taken place with his knowledge.

After considerably argument the Magistrate allowed the case to proceed on the understanding that Mr. Armstrong would prove guilty knowledge against the defendant. Mr. C. H. Miles of the Electric Company gave figures of readings of the three meters installed in the restaurant, and showed that the hands of all three meters had been pushed back, thus defrauding the Company of current consumed.

After Mr. G. R. Murray, manager of the Yaumati sub-station, had testified to examining the meters and finding them in perfect order, the Magistrate adjourned further hearing of the case until next Friday.

## BOY'S FATAL PRANK.

Nine persons, including six women, were killed, eleven seriously injured, and many slightly injured at Cassel (Germany) as the result of a small boy's prank.

A crowded tram was standing at a terminus at the top of an incline when a schoolboy began tampering with the brake in the absence of the driver. Suddenly the car began to move forward, and increased its pace so that the terrified passengers were unable to get out.

At the bottom of the hill it left the lines and crashed into an iron scaffolding and finally overturned into a ditch, burying the passengers underneath.

from "lightening" strikes in essential services, the right of the Government to regulate its own affairs without interference from outside, the preservation of the neutrality of the Colony in the matter of political funds and the right of the subject to ensure protection against prosecution without good cause.

## OBITUARIES.

## MR. ROBERT PERRIE OF TAIKOO.

## KEEN BOWLS DEVOTEE.

News has been received of the death at his home in Greenock of Mr. Robert Perrie, until recently a member of the Taikoo Sugar Refinery and an ardent devotee of the game of bowls. He was a member of the Taikoo Club and his interest in the welfare of the Quarry Bay community, his genial personality and unfailing good nature won him the respect and esteem of all the Taikoo residents and many outside that community.

Mr. Perrie for twenty years of his association with the Sugar Refinery had not left the Colony, and it was only on medical advice that he left last year, retiring from his position with Messrs. Butterfield and Swire. It appears that Mr. Perrie contracted a chill whilst on a visit to his daughter in Ireland and he passed away at Greenock on June 1.

Two daughters and a son, the latter being on the China coast, are left to mourn his loss.

## Mr. E. J. da Silva Loureiro.

The death took place yesterday of Mr. Eduardo Jose de Silva Loureiro, one of the oldest Portuguese residents in Hong Kong. Mr. Loureiro, who was thirty years of age, had lived in the Colony about forty years and had been associated with several local companies. For some years he was accountant of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels. There was a large attendance at the funeral at Happy Valley yesterday.

## Shadows Before.

## COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.  
July 8—Queen's Theatre; "Butterflies in the Rain."  
July 8—World Theatre; "Night Life of New York."  
July 8—Wilbur Players at Star Theatre, Kowloon present "The Rosary," 9.15 p.m.  
July 8—Tea Dance Cafe Restaurant, 4.30 p.m.  
July 8—Isako's Circus, New Reclamation ground, Wanchai, 9.15 p.m.  
July 9—Second promenade concert, Lee Gardens, 9.30 p.m.  
July 10—After dinner dance, Lee Gardens.  
Lammert's Auction.  
July 12—Household and Office furniture, Duddell St., 2.30 p.m.  
Miscellaneous.  
July 8—St. Peter's Y. M. Club ping pong tourney.  
July 9—Launch picnic of the Theosophical Society, Launch leaves Queen's Pier, 4 p.m.  
July 10—Wah Yan Old Boy's Union picnic, launch leaving Queen's Pier, 3.30 p.m.  
July 10—Public Theosophical lecture by Mr. M. Manuk, 7, Duddell St., 11 a.m.  
July 10—Social gathering in St. John's Cathedral Hall, 6 p.m.  
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Meetings.  
July 11—Meeting of Sports Committee at Volunteer Headquarters, 6 p.m.  
July 12—Extraordinary general meeting of H.K. Amusements Ltd., Queen's Theatre, noon.

Col. Ashley, Minister of Transport, said in Parliament in mail week that it was desirable that experiments should be made with the new traffic beacons known as the "wire-suspension cross-street" type with the word "Caution" prominently displayed, and two would be erected for this purpose in London.

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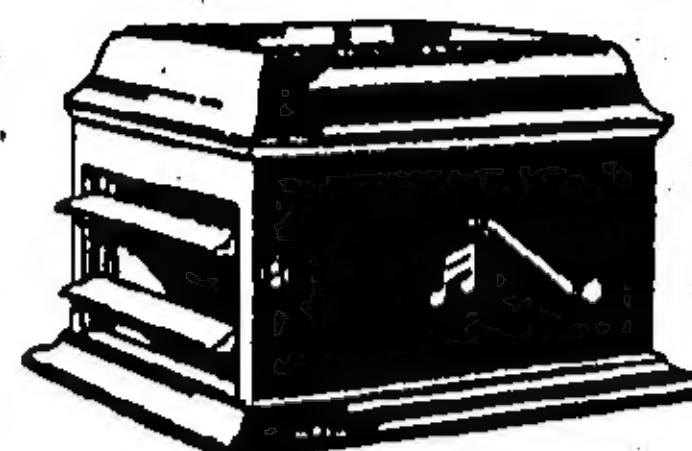
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**LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.**

There was a clean bill of health in the Colony yesterday.

A public lecture will be given by Mr. M. Manuk on Sunday, July 10, at 11 a.m., at the Hong Kong Lodge, the Theosophical Society (7, Duddell Street).

Remarking that he was not going to be beaten by a girl, a nine-years-old Leeds boy, Thomas Kidney, son of a steeplejack, climbed a 158ft. chimney stack of the Hunslet steelworks. He was determined to do better than the Leeds girl who climbed a 150ft. chimney. Thomas began climbing when he was five-years-old. His climb was seen by his grandfather, who was also a steeplejack.

The Repulse Bay Road via Wongneichung Gap is not yet officially re-opened to motor traffic. Work is still proceeding on clearing the road of the heavy rocks which were brought down by the landslide on Saturday afternoon half way between the Gap and Repulse Bay. It is hoped to have the road open in time for the afternoon "trek" to-morrow.

Sir Austen Chamberlain, at the House of Commons, has received an influential deputation introduced by Sir Alfred Mond, M.P., from the China Association, who were able to lay before the Foreign Secretary the latest information from China from trading sources. This information had been obtained from representatives of firms located in China who have just arrived in Britain, and it showed that those who were regarded as Chinese Nationalist generals were some of them little or nothing better than bandit captains, and that good trade was being done. Sir Austen thanked the deputation for the information given, and promised to give the views put forward every consideration.

Thanks to the efforts of the Metropolitan Public Gardens Association and of Mr. Stanton Covington, of Streatham, the old-world Prince's-square, Kennington, S.E., is to be preserved as an open space for the benefit of the inhabitants of that congested district. This square, which has many of the characteristics of which Dickens used to write, was in danger of being built over, but Mr. Stanton Covington now writes:—The whole of the purchase-money—£2,250—has been subscribed, as well as a contribution towards the cost of laying out the square, which has been undertaken by the Lambeth Borough Council, who will maintain it as a public open space.

A petition for the winding up of Davis Co., Ltd. will be heard in the Supreme Court on Sunday, July 10. Cubicles will be reserved for two persons at 20 cents per person. The sole use of a cubicle will cost 40 cents.

A gipsy soothsayer at Riga, named Fink, who in January predicted the outbreak of war between Russia and a Western European Power in October, has greatly increased his clientele since the British break with the Soviet Government. Fink, whose patrons include leading Latvian politicians and business men, is noted throughout the Baltic States for the accuracy of his forecasts and prophecies. He predicts that Communist rule in Russia will end this year.



Princess Helena Victoria, cousin to King George, who as the most noted fashion leader in London, favours the boyish fashions for girls.

The plentiful and still increasing supply of crude petroleum in the United States is giving an added fillip to the use of fuel oil, in spite of "disinclination" as the Americans style it, is going on at an accelerated rate. While on the one hand there is some tendency to convert steamers into oil burners, the more general process is to convert them into motorships by installing Diesel engines. However it may turn out on this side of the Atlantic, Americans are satisfied that a fairly long period of cheap oil is before them.

The public matchshed at the Repulse Bay will be opened on Sunday, July 10. Cubicles will be reserved for two persons at 20 cents per person. The sole use of a cubicle will cost 40 cents.

Workers in a vineyard, surprised by a cloudburst near Cenicero, Northern Spain, took refuge in cabins beside a sunken road which was soon converted into a torrent. Several cabins were washed away, five vine-hands, two women, and a carabiniere being drowned. The flood carried away a railway embankment and did great damage to vineyards and standing crops.

The Rev. W. Hunt, Rector of Munsley (Herefordshire) claims to have discovered that Hamlet was buried either in the church or in the churchyard. Mr. Hunt has deciphered an inscription on a slab of stone two feet square, reading "Hamlet, the Danish Prince." Mr. Hunt is now looking for the sarcophagus. He believes that the grave may be in the east end of the church.

A strange and fascinating new industry was brought to my notice in a workshop on the banks of the Thames the other day, says a writer in a shipping paper. Here a group of expert carpenters are busy carving up old battleships, and making them into garden chairs and seats. Castle's Shipbreaking Co. was established at Baltic Wharf, Westminster, as long ago as 1838. And the furniture they produce out of man-of-war oak is unique for out-of-door purposes. In fact, the more it is left in the wind and the rain the better it grows, and the more mellow its appearance becomes.

Is history to repeat itself in regard to the housing of the merchants of the City? I have just heard the interesting suggestion that for a double purpose some of the upper storeys of business premises are to be utilised as flats, writes the London correspondent of a Liverpool paper. Notwithstanding impressions to the contrary, it is possible for an office in the very heart of the business parts of London to remain untenanted for quite an appreciable period. Some of the newly-erected buildings have a whole floor for which there are no applicants. At the same time, business men who live in the country are experiencing difficulty in reaching business and in parking or garaging their cars. Some of them are, accordingly, trying the experiment of living above their businesses for five days in the week, as their forefathers did throughout the year.

**SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.**

Despatches from Los Angeles state that the will of the late book collector and philanthropist, Henry E. Huntington, provided, inter alia, for the erection of a hospital at Los Angeles to cost \$2,000,000, in honour of his uncle and his son Howard. It is also stated that during the year 1922 the testator made a deed of gift of \$50,000,000 for a public



Sir Robert Baden Powell, founder of the Boy Scout movement, who recently celebrated his 70th birthday. The Boy Scout of Sweden presented him with a bronze statue of Scouts preparing their food.

library and art museum at San Marino, California, and set aside more than \$8,000,000 for its maintenance. In a leading article, the "New York Times," which understands that the income from certain funds is to be used "exclusively for research in American and English history," says this gift is "of world significance, because it will not only bring England and America to a better understanding, but will also help to set them in their true relation to the rest of the world."

News has been received in the Colony that Mr. R. C. Lee, the son of Mr. Lee Hysan, has succeeded in passing his final examination for the Bachelor of Arts degree, at Pembroke College, Oxford. Mr. Lee is shortly returning to Hong Kong and is expected here towards the end of August.

The death is announced of Sir Arthur Francis Whinney, president of the Institute of Chartered Accountants, in a London nursing home, in his 62nd year. He was senior partner in the firm of Whinney, Smith and Whinney, and he played a leading part in many important business amalgamations and reconstructions. He was one of the liquidators of the British Empire Exhibition, and at one time or another he occupied the posts of Adviser on Costs of Production to the Admiralty, Assistant-Accountant-General of the Navy and Adviser and Consultant to the Admiralty in Accountancy, and chairman of Board of Trade committees under the Safeguarding of Industries Inquiry. In the region of economics and finance in the present difficult times, he was one of the public men whose words and writings attracted widespread attention.

On the eve of his departure for Nigeria for Ceylon, H.E. Sir Hugh Clifford, now Governor of the "Straits Settlements," wrote some verses entitled "Promotion" and a few weeks ago sent them to "Blackwood's Magazine" to which he has been a contributor since 1898. In a letter to the "Straits Times" he complains that his poem has been published in a "deplorable and



Here is, Captain Charles Lindbergh, first man to cross the Atlantic Ocean in a plane alone.

misshapened" form and that Mr. George Blackwood has tried "to madly squeeze a right hand foot into a left hand shoe." He has therefore sent the poem in its original form to a contemporary with the words: "I am emboldened to seek the hospitality of your paper because, as you are aware, the very earliest of my all too numerous Malayan Stories and Sketches were originally published in 'The Straits Times,' and because I am anxious to disclaim the authorship of the verses in 'Maga' as promptly and as prominently as I can."

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## SPORTS SECTION

## LAWN BOWLS.

## Docks Rivalry At Taikoo.

## WILL LEADERS FALL?

## Open Singles Championship Results.

(By "Short Head.")

Provided that the weather is kinder to-morrow than a week ago there should be some thrills provided in the Bowls League. The main event in the First Division is the visit of the leaders—the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club—to Taikoo, where a great clash may be anticipated. Few Clubs can play the Taikoo Recreation Club on this ground and return home with the coveted points. The Kowloon Dock, however, did it last season, when they secured a win by the rather sensational majority of 32 points. If they can repeat that performance to-morrow the championship is as good as won. The Taikoo Club have so far lost only one match and a win to-morrow would virtually place them level with their Dock rivals in Kowloon as the latter have played one game more. Taking a line through their match against the K.C.C. at Kowloon recently they ought to prove good enough even for the stronger Kowloon Dock rinks, in which event the destiny of the championship will be very open indeed.

The Police Recreation Club are at home to their near neighbours, the Craigenower Cricket Club, who won the encounter a year ago by the barest possible margin of one shot on a Saturday when this was the only match played owing to inclement weather. This season the Craigenower Club won on their own green by 18 shots, so that there is not very much between the two teams on form. Both have played the same number of games, and the Craigenower are a couple of points better off than the Police.

Having tasted "blood" at the expense of the Kowloon Cricket Club, the Civil Service Cricket Club are bent to-morrow on adding another Kowloon scalp to their laurels when they meet the Bowling Green Club at Happy Valley. Last season the Civil Servants won on their own green by 14 points, and this should just about represent the difference between them again to-morrow. The Kowloon team, however, are just as good fighters away as at home, as witness their defeat of the Police at the Valley, so that their hosts to-morrow cannot afford to take them too cheaply.

In the Second Division the principal fixture is between the Craigenower Cricket Club and the Kowloon Cricket Club at Happy Valley. Last season, with different personnel, the Kowloon Cricketers won by one point, and owing to the precarious position of the first string this season they will be all out for the points to-morrow. The Craigenower C.C. have, on the whole, been disappointing this season so far, only winning one out of seven matches, which does not make for confidence in tipping them to win to-morrow.

The East Point Recreation Club are at home to the Civil Service Cricket Club and are looking forward to repeating their victory of a year ago by 32 shots. The Civil Servants will have to improve on their display against the Kowloon Cricket Club recently, when they ran away from their opponents at the start and then literally threw the points away.

The other game in this Division is that between the Bowling Green Club and the Club de Recreio. Form, of course, points to a win for the Bowling Green Club, who won the first encounter this season at King's Park, but the sporting Portuguese are quite capable of springing a surprise when in the mood.

## MATCH POSTPONED.

The Yacht Club should have played the Taikoo R.C. but their ground is not yet ready and as there is no other available green on the Hong Kong side the match has been postponed to later in the season. It is said that the Yacht Club offered to concede the two points, but this the Taikoo R.C. sportingly declined, preferring to play at a later date.

## TO-MORROW'S FIXTURES.

## First Division.

Taikoo R.C. v. Kowloon Dock R.C.  
Police R.C. v. Craigenower C.C.  
Civil Service C.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C.

## Second Division.

East Point R.C. v. Civil Service C.C.  
Craigenower C.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C.

## TEAMS FOR TO-MORROW.

## First Division.

Civil Service C.C.—B. E. Maughan, H. Westlake, sen., P. Keegan, and J. W. Deakin (skip); T. Laing, and T. D. E. Pendered (skip); H. H. Ross, A. O. Brown, A. Grimmett, and A. H. Oswick (skip).

Kowloon Bowling Green Club.—W. Hedley, J. Magill, D. Muir, and W. Macfarlane (skip); R. Duncan, T. Fergusson, P. T. Farrell, and A. M. Holland (skip); D. Hazel, D. Harvey, A. Macfarlane, and W. Russell (skip).

Kowloon Dock R.C.—D. M. Neilson, G. Henderson, J. O. McLaggan, and S. Gray (skip); J. Scott Atkinson, J. V. Ramsay, J. A. Lindsay, and F. Cullen (skip); A. Gourlay, H. G. Cooper, W. Greig, and R. Lapsley (skip).

Police R.C.—Collins, Hollands, Reid, and Moss (skip); Glendinning, Marks, Condon, and Sword (skip); Greenwood, Wiltshire, West, and Mair (skip).

Taikoo R.C.—W. Weir, J. Whyte, J. Russell, and W. Wotherpoon (skip); T. Young, W. F. Seath, G. McLeod, and W. Wallace (skip); T. Grimes, J. Muirhead, J. Laing, and G. Morrison (skip).

C.C.C.—W. B. Muskett, M. A. R. Souza, C. Bennett, and R. Basa (skip); W. T. Brightman, C. S. Rosset, E. Arculli, and D. Rumjahn (skip); F. J. Neves, D. Fritz, C. M. S. Alves, and U. M. Omar (skip).

Club de Recreio.—H. Alves, J. A. V. Ribeiro, C. E. Marques, and A. Ribeiro (skip); C. F. Vas, R. E. A. Remedios, C. A. Lopes, and J. Ribeiro (skip); F. X. Silva, L. A. Rocha, C. Silva, and L. C. Souza (skip).

Civil Service C.C.—S. Eccles, J. Jones, F. H. W. Haynes, and J. Massey (skip); Simmonds, J. Beattie, Archibald, and Taylor (skip); Holdman, Bickford, A. E. Murphy, and S. Alderman (skip).

## LEAGUE TABLES.

The positions in the League to date are:—

| Division I.        | P. | W. | D. | L. | Pts. |
|--------------------|----|----|----|----|------|
| Kowloon Dock R.C.  | 6  | 6  | 0  | 0  | 12   |
| Taikoo R.C.        | 5  | 4  | 0  | 1  | 8    |
| Craigenower C.C.   | 6  | 3  | 0  | 3  | 6    |
| Kowloon B.G.C.     | 4  | 2  | 0  | 2  | 4    |
| Police R.C.        | 5  | 1  | 0  | 4  | 4    |
| Civil Service C.C. | 5  | 1  | 0  | 4  | 4    |
| Kowloon C.C.       | 6  | 1  | 0  | 5  | 2    |

Shots for and Against.

| For                | Agst. | Up  | Dn. |
|--------------------|-------|-----|-----|
| Kowloon D.R.C.     | 387   | 286 | 101 |
| Taikoo R.C.        | 313   | 250 | 63  |
| Kowloon B.G.C.     | 250   | 221 | 29  |
| Craigenower C.C.   | 346   | 329 | 17  |
| Civil Service C.C. | 286   | 300 | 14  |
| Police R.C.        | 307   | 333 | 26  |
| Kowloon C.C.       | 271   | 381 | 110 |

Division II.

| P.                 | W. | D. | L. | Pts. |
|--------------------|----|----|----|------|
| Kowloon C.C.       | 7  | 6  | 0  | 12   |
| Kowloon B.G.C.     | 6  | 5  | 0  | 10   |
| East Point R.C.    | 7  | 5  | 0  | 10   |
| Taikoo R.C.        | 6  | 4  | 0  | 8    |
| Civil Service C.C. | 7  | 3  | 0  | 6    |
| Club de Recreio    | 7  | 2  | 0  | 4    |
| Craigenower C.C.   | 7  | 1  | 0  | 2    |
| Royal H.K.Y.C.     | 6  | 0  | 0  | 0    |

Shots for and Against.

| For                | Agst. | Up  | Dn. |
|--------------------|-------|-----|-----|
| Kowloon B.G.C.     | 398   | 311 | 87  |
| East Point R.C.    | 437   | 367 | 70  |
| Kowloon C.C.       | 425   | 375 | 50  |
| Taikoo R.C.        | 366   | 338 | 28  |
| Civil Service C.C. | 415   | 389 | 26  |
| Craigenower C.C.   | 372   | 451 | 79  |
| Royal H.K.Y.C.     | 257   | 343 | 86  |
| Club de Recreio    | 343   | 439 | 96  |

## OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP.

## Results of the First Round.

With the exception of two ties the first round of the open singles championship has been completed. Amongst the surprises are a defeat of U. M. Omar, a past champion and last year's runner up; F. Cullen, champion in 1925; W. Hill, A. G. Pile, T. D. Pendered, and R. Basa. The results are as follows:—

J. West walk over from R. Drummond.  
L. T. Davies beat G. Wragge.  
G. McLeod walk over from R. W. Lee.  
A. O. Brown beat H. Buchanan.  
A. H. Oswick beat J. Massey.  
R. H. Whiteford beat H. McKechnie.  
R. Lapsley beat W. R. Nicholson.  
J. Laing beat E. el Arculli.  
J. McLaggan beat W. Glendinning.  
J. Macfarlane beat R. Basa.  
Jas. T. Dobbie beat U. M. Omar.  
C. M. S. Alves beat W. Hill.  
J. Sloan beat A. G. Pile.  
J. Muirhead beat B. E. Maughan.

A. Chapman beat F. Cullen.  
A. M. Holland walk over from D. Hazel.  
E. Kern beat C. Bennett.  
T. Grimes beat J. Whyte.  
H. Overy beat D. Rumjahn.  
W. F. J. Gorvin beat D. Fritz.  
R. A. Smith beat C. J. Tacchi.  
J. Russell beat R. McKellar.  
R. F. Luz beat T. D. E. Pendered.

C. Scott Atkinson beat W. Mair.  
W. Macfarlane v. R. Sutherland (not yet played).  
A. W. Gourlay beat H. McTavish.  
A. L. Shields v. W. Wotherpoon (not yet played).  
R. Duncan beat W. Sword.

## Second Round.

The results so far in the second round are as follows:—  
W. Russell beat D. Reid.  
J. McLaggan beat J. Macfarlane.

R. A. Smith beat J. Russell.  
J. Scott Atkinson beat R. F. Luz.  
Competitors are requested to accelerate the competition by playing off their second round ties as early as possible.

## BOWLS CONVENERS.

For the convenience of Clubs we publish the following list of Bowls conveners and their office telephone numbers:—

K.C.C.—W. Goldenberg, C. 1072.  
Taikoo R.C.—W. O. Warnock, C. 212.  
Yacht Club.—G. R. Edwards, C. 236.  
Civil Service C.C.—R. A. Smith, C. 472.  
C.C.C.—R. Basa, C. 1962.  
K.B.G.C.—D. Hazel, K. 16.  
Police R.C.—P. Condon, C. 15.  
Club de Recreio.—L. Souza, C. 4463.  
Kowloon Dock.—H. G. Cooper, K. 155.  
East Point R.C.—H. McTavish, C. 72.

## NO WATER POLO MATCH.

The water polo match, which had been arranged between the V.R.C. and the 12th Battery R.A. for last evening did not take place owing to the soldiers failing to put in an appearance. After waiting some time a number of spectators went away disappointed.

## IN SUMMER TIME.

## WHERE DO FOOTBALLERS GO?

## BUSY BEHIND THE SCENES.

The cessation of football has not meant any slackening in the activities of the clubs, writes our London correspondent. The game to-day is run as a big commercial enterprise, and the work goes on all the year round. No sooner is one season over than preparations have to be made for the next. The manager is the key man in the game. To a very large extent success depends on his judgment, and to-day his responsibilities are greater than ever. Then years or so ago the affairs of a club were almost entirely controlled by the director. They engaged the player—or they gave their approval—and they chose the team. But it is now realised that this is the work of the expert, and so the search is for officials, who are able to carry on, and by their own efforts lift the club to the top of the tree. But these experts, who can be trusted to the extent directors wish them to be, are scarce.

**Managerial Changes.**  
This fact is indicated by the many managerial changes which have taken place during the past year. They have been made at the end of one month, and at the present time half a dozen clubs, including Blackburn Rovers, Burnley, Portsmouth, Leeds United and Preston North End, have vacancies which they cannot fill to their satisfaction. Mr. John MacCartney, who has been in charge of the club since he took over from Mr. J. F. Hargreaves, has been asked to resign. After working for six years, and lifting the Portsmouth club from the Third Division of the League to the First, he resigned. His responsibility, he said, was too great.

In the case of all managers, this is true. They can waste thousands of pounds a year on players. It is nothing exceptional to-day to pay £2,000 for a man, and yet, whilst he may be worth the money in some teams, he may be an utter failure with the one for which he has been obtained. His style of play does not fit in with that of his new colleagues, and he is a handicap rather than a help. In these circumstances he has to be transferred, and the deal is bound to result in a loss.

**Mistakes in Choice.**  
Many really excellent players, who have left their new clubs down in this way, could be mentioned. At the beginning of last season Manchester City paid £2,500 for Cowan to Newcastle United. An inside forward who had played for Scotland, Cowan was a good all-round player, but he was not a success with the Manchester club, and now the latter are willing to transfer him for £1,500 less than they paid to Newcastle United.

It is because there have been so many mistakes in the choice of players that the managerial changes have taken place, and how the position has gained in value is indicated by the salary which is paid. Before the war the manager who received more than £500 a year was an exception. A short time ago the Middlesbrough club engaged Peter McWilliam on a five years' contract at a salary of £1,500 a year.

## AMATEUR GOLF.

## THE NEW BRITISH CHAMPION.

## HOW DR. TWEDDELL WON.

Dr. William Tweddell, of Stourbridge, Worcestershire, is the new British amateur golf champion.

He beat D. E. Landale, of Royal Liverpool, in the 36 holes final at Hoylake by 7 up and 6 to play.

It was a fairly one-sided match in which the winner stood 5 up at the end of 9 holes, and 8 up on the completion of the morning round. So far as mortal can judge this was no flash-in-the-pan victory.

It is not too much to say that a new star has arisen when he is certainly needed in amateur golf; one who will continue to play a big part in the game.

Tweddell was scarcely considered as a candidate for the English team against Scotland a week ago, and although Midland people spoke highly of him I did not once hear him mentioned as a possible winner of the championship.

Nevertheless his was beyond question the best golf that the tournament produced. It was very convincing golf, fully up to the standard of that achieved by many renowned winners in the past.

His scores were repeatedly the best reported for a round, but as he was making lesser lights nobody took much notice until in the fifth round, he went out in 33 to beat C. C. Aymer, twice a British international against America, who was playing as well as he knew how to play. After that, people recognised that anything was possible to Tweddell.

**Holes, Not the Man.**  
Until recently, Tweddell was supposed to lack the capacity to bring off a "kill" in a tight match; a good man in score competitions, but likely to be beaten at the 18th or 19th hole in a hand-to-hand duel. Certainly he showed no such falling in this championship. His temperament, as well as his skill in hitting the shots, reigned supreme. He says that he now tries to play the holes and not the man; that is to say, he concentrates his attention on obtaining the par figures or better, and leaves his opponent to worry about the personal equation.

The final, after the first few holes, was so much in the nature of a procession that a detailed description of it would be burdensome.

Landale must have played positively the worst golf that he has known since he became a member of the club here in 1922.

He won the first hole and looked like winning the second until Tweddell got down a putt of five yards for a half.

After that the avalanche. Tweddell played five holes in his best scoring manner—every one at par—and won them all.

He went round in 76, and his lead of 8 holes at the end of the morning had been exceeded only once in the final. That was when Robert Harris stood 9 up on K. F. Fouldley at the halfway stage at Westward Ho! two years ago.

Tweddell lost two holes early in the afternoon and then resumed his successful pursuit of par figures, which was the only pleasant entertainment for a crowd of 4,000 people.

He was the first player to take the championship cup to the Midlands—something of a coup in his Durham birth, Yorkshire beginning at golf, Aberdeenshire training, and Worcestershire residence, but a striking new personality in the game—"Daily Mail."

## CANINE FEUD.

## CHARGE AND COUNTER CHARGE.

A dog fight had a sequel before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, when Mr. S. G. Hayes summoned Mr. A. Gascon for allowing a ferocious dog to be abroad without a muzzle.

Mr. Gascon admitted the charge saying that his dog had a small collar, and had possibly slipped its collar. With regard to the "ferocious" part of the charge, Mr. Gascon wanted to know what Mr. Hayes meant by that, as the dog had not bitten anyone.

Mr. Hayes said that on four occasions during two months his dog had been badly mauled by Mr. Gascon's dog, while his wife and child had also been frightened by the animal. The witness's amah had actually been bitten by Mr. Gascon's dog on one occasion.

Mr. Gascon said that Mr. Hayes's dog always started a fight, and would get the worse of it. It was a significant fact that his (Mr. Gascon's) dog had never fought with any dog but Mr. Hayes's.

The Magistrate remarked that there appeared to be a feud between the dogs, and suggested that the case would be met if he ordered Mr. Gascon to keep his dog under proper control.

Mr. Hayes expressed his satisfaction, and the order was accordingly made.

## SMART CAPTURE.

A mean thief who snatched a gold chain from the neck of a baby which was being carried on an amah's back was smartly captured in D'Aguiar Street yesterday afternoon. Mr. A. Rumjahn was in the vicinity when the amah raised the alarm, and he gave chase to the thief who was finally brought to earth in Wellington Street. Before being overtaken, the snatcher managed to get rid of the chain which has not been recovered. He was taken to the Central Police Station.

When charged before Major Wilson this morning, the accused who said he was 13 years of age, denied stealing. He said he was running across the street to shelter from the rain when he was caught by Mr. Rumjahn.

The Magistrate convicted and ordered, accused to receive 12 strokes with a rattan.

## MARRIED HER CREDITOR.

Subject to a suspension of three months, Mr. Registrar Warmington, in the London Bankruptcy Court, granted a discharge to Miss Juliette Hall Compton, the film actress, who, following a judgment against her for £5,375, was adjudged bankrupt last December with liabilities £7,866 and assets 30s.

It was stated that since the date of the receiving order she had married one of her creditors, a Mr. Bartram.

## SIR HENRY WOOD.

## "FULL CO-OPERATION WITH BROADCASTING."

The British Broadcasting Corporation state that Sir Henry Wood will soon be closely associated with broadcasting. "Sir Henry has engaged to conduct a number of special concerts for the B.B.C."

"In continuing his great work for music he will now be acting in co-operation with broadcasting. The B.B.C. regards this development as a favourable augury for the future progress of its efforts to reconcile the essential interests of music with broadcasting."

It will be recalled that in March Sir Henry Wood and his Queen's Hall Orchestra gave the last of their famous concerts there, Messrs. Chappell and Co., lessees of the hall, who controlled the orchestra, having stated that no more symphony or promenade concerts would be given there under their auspices.

## MORGAN'S GOLD.

The Spanish Main has just experienced a pirate's treasure hoard. Workmen excavating on the Spanish Main suddenly struck an ancient-looking chest, which, on being broken open, was found to contain silver coins. At once the story arose that at long last the centuries' sought for treasure store of the famous Captain Kidd had been unearthed.

Treasure seekers rushed from all parts, but when experts came along they cleaned the coins and found them all dated about the year 1887, and further investigation led to the conclusion that the chest had been lost from an excursion steamer of those days.

Meanwhile, from Panama comes a much more interesting story of a supposed treasure store discovered by two Englishmen, after much research, under a concession giving them exclusive rights to hunt for treasure in the Republic for five years.

They believe that they have located a stolen treasure buried by the notorious British pirate, Sir Henry Morgan, in 1671. Already gold and precious stones have been recovered beneath the ruins of the San Jose church which Morgan, the pirate, destroyed when he invaded Panama 200 miles in an open boat.

## OXFORD'S "STUPID MISTAKE."

"We have made a stupid mistake," said the Deputy Mayor of Oxford (Alderman John Carter) at a meeting of the City Council, when it was unanimously decided to withdraw the notices which the Corporation had issued calling upon a number of billposters to remove certain poster hoardings in the city. "We have not got a decent excuse to make," he went on. "We understand now how we came to make the mistake, and shall be very careful not to make a similar one in the future. We acted without sufficient legal information, which was a very silly thing for a public body to do."

It is understood that the whole question is to be handed over to the Highways Committee with instructions to consider how the Corporation can more effectively deal with hoardings and to try and procure a removal of some of the most unsightly ones by negotiation with the owners.

## ACTION AGAINST DRURY LANE.

The legal advisers of Mr. Arthur Hammerstein, the American theatrical producer, announce that an action has been entered against the Drury Lane Theatre and Sir Alfred Butt, who is at present in America, to recover the sum of \$100,000 (about £20,000) damages on the ground that Sir Alfred Butt failed to produce Mr. Hammerstein's operetta, "The Song of the Flame," following the run of "Rose Marie."

## LONDON EXCHANGES.

| Rugby, July 7.          |            |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Paris                   | 124        |
| New York                | 4.85 15/32 |
| Brussels                | 34.91      |
| Geneva                  | 25.23      |
| Amsterdam               | 12.11 1/2  |
| Milan                   | 38.15 1/16 |
| Berlin                  | 20.45      |
| Stockholm               | 18.14      |
| Copenhagen              | 18.17      |
| Oslo                    | 18.77 1/2  |
| Vienna                  | 34.49 1/2  |
| Prague                  | 163 1/2    |
| Helsingfors             | 192 1/2    |
| Madrid                  | 26.52 1/2  |
| Lisbon                  | 2.7 1/16   |
| Athens                  | 363        |
| Bucharest               | 780        |
| Rio                     | 5.32 3/32  |
| Buenos Aires            | 47 1/2     |
| Bombay                  | 1/8 12/32  |
| Shanghai                | 2/0 1/2    |
| Hong Kong               | 2/0 1/2    |
| Yokohama                | 1/11 1/2   |
| Silver Spot and Forward | 25 3/16    |

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## SHARE MARKET.

## OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

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| Stock            | Hong Kong |
|------------------|-----------|
| Exchange         |           |
| T.T. on London   | 1/11 1/2  |
| T.T. on Shanghai | 378 1/2   |

|                    |         |   |
|--------------------|---------|---|
| Hongkong Bank      | 1070    | b |
| do. Lon. Reg.      | 1115    | n |
| Chartered Bank     | 220     | n |
| Mercantile A. & B. | 280 1/2 | n |
| do. C.             | 413 1/2 | n |
| P. & O. Bank       | 49      | n |
| East Asia          | 498     | n |

| Marine Insurance.     |         |
|-----------------------|---------|
| Canton Insurance      | \$620   |
| China Underwriters    | 80 cts. |
| North China Insurance | 7148    |
| Union Insurance       | \$279   |
| Yangtze Insurance     | \$40 M. |

| Fire Insurance.      |       |
|----------------------|-------|
| China Fire Insurance | \$210 |
| H.K. Fire Insurance  | \$900 |

| Shipping.            |          |
|----------------------|----------|
| Douglases            | \$31 1/2 |
| H.K. Steamships      | \$22 1/2 |
| H.K. Tugs & Lighters | 1.10     |
| Indo-China (Freight) | \$30     |
| do. (Def.)           | \$46     |
| Shell Transports     | 93/-     |
| Star Ferries         | \$52     |
| Water-boats          | \$10.30  |

| Refineries.    |      |
|----------------|------|
| China Sugars   | \$18 |
| Malayan Sugars | \$32 |

| Mining.              |        |
|----------------------|--------|
| Benguet              | \$1.70 |
| Killian Mining Ad.   | 40/-   |
| Langkats (Combined)  | 719    |
| do. (Single)         | 70     |
| Shanghai Exploration | 73 1/2 |
| Shanghai Loans       | 76 1/2 |
| Sauva                | 74     |
| Tromps Mines         | 19/3   |
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## TWO YOUNG MEN.

BUSINESS ROMANCE OF STAGE LIFE.

Two young men who began a business partnership a year ago in one room and with a joint capital of £100 have just taken over the Savoy Theatre, W.C.

They are Mr. C. Egerton Killick and Mr. Victor Payne-Jennings. They began to make money over theatre bars, cloak-rooms, programmes, and so forth. Now they have acquired from Mr. Robert Courtneidge the remainder of his lease (8 years) of the Savoy Theatre and thus become London's newest theatrical managers.

"Mr. Courtneidge still retains an option to produce plays at the theatre from time to time," Mr. Killick told a theatrical correspondent recently, "but for the most part, we shall now be in control of it. We shall submit it for suitable productions and, we hope, also produce plays ourselves."

## LONDON'S NEW THEATRE.

London, April 10.  
London's newest theatre, which will not be open to the general public, is now almost completed. It has been built by the Arts Theatre Club as a place where there may be produced regularly for short runs with professional castes new plays and revivals.

From the architectural point of view the new theatre is of exceptional interest. A somewhat old-fashioned building, with a shop looking out on Great Newport Street, has been cleverly converted by the well-known architect, M. P. Morley Horder, into a theatre with a stage fully equipped with a grid and other accessories, stalls and circle to accommodate about 300 people, and attractively decorated club rooms. Considering the paucity of the space available, only the most skilful planning could have accomplished so much.

Another interesting feature of the building is the simplicity of the decorations. With the exception of a quaint symbolical emblem, designed by Mr. McKnight Kauffer, to symbolise the object of the theatre, the walls are plain. In the auditorium the audience will not be distracted in any way, either by the light which comes from a diffused panel in the ceiling, or by any ornamentations.

The London County Council has not given a licence to the theatre, admission to which will be available only to members of the Club and their guests. Among the vice-presidents of the Club are: Dame Madge Kendal, Sir Gerald du Maurier, Lady Wyndham, Mr. Henry Ainley, Mr. Arnold Bennett, Sir Barry Jackson, and Miss Sybil Thorndike—Observer.

## ALBERT HALL ECHO.

The Royal Choral Society sang Haydn's "Creation" at the Albert Hall under Dr. Malcolm Sargent.

Anyone who is curious about the celebrated Albert Hall echo should choose a seat in the fourth row of the "K" stalls, where the whole thing was heard twice over.—Mr. Joseph Farrington's bass solos particularly clearly.

The effect lent weight to the ingenious suggestion that medieval polyphony had its origin in the echoes of the great Gothic cathedrals. The Albert Hall architect was evidently as fond of canonic device as César Franck himself.

"The Creation" is charming music, and no wonder the choir enjoyed singing it. Miss Noel Eadie was the soprano—a pleasing, fresh voice but wanting a little in solidity. Mr. Walter Widdop and Mr. Farrington (who came out with a surprisingly fine low D in the famous phrase about the sinuous worm) did well.

## WORLD OF ART.

THE RISE IN PICTURE VALUES.

1877 £262; 1927 £12,600.

"Valuable Pictures," from various sources formed the subject of the sale at Messrs. Sotheby's in mail week, when a total of £36,418 10s. was obtained.

Of this sum £13,000 was given by Messrs. Gooden and Fox (with Mr. Ernest Permain as the under-bidder) for the three-quarter length portrait of Mr. Thomas Henry Rumbold, as a young man, by Reynolds, which was painted in 1788 and exhibited at the Old Masters Exhibition at Burlington House in 1887.

This is a record price at auction for a male portrait by Reynolds.

In the Raeburn family's sale (May, 7th, 187), the portrait of William Scott-Elliot, of Arkelton (b. 1811, d. 1901) as a child, by Raeburn, fetched £262. Messrs. Gooden and Fox had to pay for it £12,600.

From Mr. Ronald H. Campbell came Ben Marshall's "Portrait of General Sir Henry Frederick Campbell," which received a final bid of £2,400 (Langridge). The late Hon. Mrs. Harriet Frances Baillie Hamilton sent a portrait of Lady Almeria Carpenter, which has traditionally been attributed to Romney, but is more probably by Hoppner. This fetched £320 (A. L. Nicholson).

In 1764, Romney painted a three-quarter length portrait of Mr. James Wilson, a councillor of Kendal, Westmorland, for which he received a fee of £8 8s. Mr. R. H. Heaton gave £760 for the canvas, which came from a descendant of the original sitter, Brigadier-General W. G. Braithwaite. In the property of Lord Vernon was "Head of a Woman in large white ruff," attributed to Vandyck, which made £2,100 (Asscher).

£2,625 for Marble Plaque.  
At Messrs. Christie's a Fifteenth Century Italian white marble plaque, sculptured in low relief with the Madonna and Child, ascribed to Desiderio da Settignano, fetched £2,625 (Huggins). It belonged to Viscount Ednam, and was originally purchased in Italy by his grandfather, William, first Earl of Dudley.

Mr. C. Leicester-Warren's property included a set of five Faenza bottles, which were originally in the first Lord de Tabley's collection. The set made £1,680 (Bacri). From an anonymous source came a Herat carpet, with a bold design of coloured panels, foliage, and trelliswork on dark blue ground, which realised £1,575 (Watson).

A cabinet of Louis XVI. design, belonging to the Earl of Beesborough, and originally in the collection of Lady Charlotte Schreiber, made £504 (Andrade).

Catalogued as the "property of a lady" were many fine examples of Dresden porcelain. These included a set of six saucer-dishes, painted with Chinese figures in colours, on a gilt scroll pedestal, introducing small panels of landscapes, which fetched £1,165 10s. (Vollmann). The day's total was £16,058 8s. 6d.

Art Gifts to the Nation.  
The dispersal to national museums of the collection formed by Mr. F. Leverton Harris marks an event in the art world. Members of the National Art Collection Fund and of the Contemporary Art Society are being invited to inspect the collection.

Mr. Leverton Harris' majolica forms the richest private collection, and this is being presented to the Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge. Amongst other articles are several XIV. to XVI. Century Gothic statues left to the Victoria and Albert Museum; and the Fanny Burney books are left to the British Museum.

## SKI SEARCH FILM.

BLAZING TORCHES AMID THE SNOWS.

Produced in the Swiss Alps, a new German film trade shown at the Marble Arch Pavilion, W., under the title of "The Wrath of the Gods," contains some remarkable and exciting pictures of skiing contests and some extraordinarily beautiful ones of a search-party of men on skis crossing the snows at night with blazing torches in their hands. The effect of this is breath-taking.

"The Wrath of the Gods" uses a slight and rather confused story as the framework for unusual Alpine views. At a health resort high up at the foot of snow-covered mountains a famous mountaineer and his young friend both fall in love with a young dancer.

Caught in a storm at night while they are together climbing a dangerous peak, their rivalry is discovered. But the bond of friendship between them is so strong that the older man makes a heroic effort to save the younger one from death, and when this proves impossible elects to die with him.

The two men who play the chief roles are athletes, not actors, but do their work quite well. It is the girl who is less convincing, though she is graceful and pretty; her motives are never clear.

"The Wrath of the Gods" contains a great many scenes that are lovely and some that are positively sensational. It is, too, refreshingly unlike the average film.

## £10,000 FOR ETCHINGS.

The auction of 50,000 engravings, woodcuts, and etchings, including the work of Albert Dürer and Rembrandt, has attracted a cosmopolitan crowd of experts and dealers to Leipzig. Mr. Campbell Dodgson, from the British Museum, and his colleagues from the Metropolitan Museum, New York, are among those who have been following the sale.

There was a great fight for a splendid example of Dürer's "Adam and Eve," which was finally knocked down to Mr. Wunderlich, of New York, for £2,500.

The price paid for 30 Rembrandt etchings was £10,000. Two magnificent examples of Lucas Cramach's art, "The Crucifixion" and "Christ on the Mount of Olives," will be brought to London by Mr. Colnaghi, who bought them for £1,350 apiece.

## MISSING RUBENS FOUND.

An interesting announcement is made in the "World of Art" page of the "Daily Telegraph." "Christ as the King of Martyrs," by Peter Paul Rubens, the missing picture from the famous series of the Twelve Apostles in the Prado Gallery, Madrid, has been discovered in the possession of Mr. Henry S. Roche, who acquired it abroad about a quarter of a century ago. Mr. Roche, who is a very old reader of the "Daily Telegraph," invited that paper's Art Critic, Mr. R. R. Tatlock, to inspect the picture, which was at once identified as the missing Rubens.

## YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.

CROW STAB PLANE WORRY  
CLANG APE TOOL  
PROP STERN WRAP  
LAW BEHAVED CRA  
AT PURE CARS GI  
TERRIER DROWSED  
OIL PEN  
TREADLE IMPARTS  
HE HEAN LECER WH  
AND RIDDLED KAN  
WEED ROUNDED  
WANT WOR RINK  
LEASE SCANT  
SUED SEND

## A WEEK'S PAPERS IN ONE.

War thoughts have been centred on Hankow during the past week. General Chiang Kai-shek was reported to have captured the city some days ago, but although it seems fairly certain that he intends to move against the Communists at some time or other, no confirmation of the fall of Hankow is forthcoming. Latest reports, in fact, have it that the Hankow-ites are coming out to fight the Chiang Kai-shek faction. Developments leading to the present curious position in China's military and political fortunes—or misfortunes—are fully described in this week's "Overland Mail," ready to-day.

Chang Tso-lin, too, is strangely situated. As usual, he is saying little, but it seems that some of his military forces have suffered reverses, and that the Nationalists are moving, albeit slowly, in a northerly direction towards Tientsin and the capital.

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### INWARD MAILS.

| From                               | FRIDAY, JULY | Per                |
|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| Shanghai                           | 8            | Khiva.             |
| Straits                            |              | Nyanza.            |
| Australia & Manila                 | 10           | Taiiping.          |
| U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai   | 11           | President Lincoln. |
| Straits                            |              | Haruma Maru.       |
| Manila                             | 11           | Emp. of Asia.      |
| Manila                             |              | President Grant.   |
| Straits                            |              | Novara.            |
| Suez & Straits                     | 12           | Hosang.            |
| Suez & Straits                     | 12           | Ixion.             |
| Straits                            | 12           | Tara.              |
| Japan & Shanghai                   | 15           | Hakozaki Maru.     |
| Sunday, July                       | 17           | Perseus.           |
| Suez & Straits                     | 18           | Adrastus.          |
| Suez & Straits                     |              | Empress of Canada. |
| U.S.A., Japan & Shan.              |              | Pres. Cleveland.   |
| U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai |              | Pres. Hayes.       |
| U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai |              | Siberia Maru.      |
| U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai | 19           | Aki Maru.          |
| Japan & Shanghai                   |              | Sphinx.            |

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| For                                   | FRIDAY, JULY | Per           | Time       |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|------------|
| San Shui & Wuchow                     | 8            | San Ning      | 4 p.m.     |
| Hoihow & Bangkok                      |              | Hualu No. 1   | 5 p.m.     |
| Fort Bayard                           | 9            | Hydrangea     | 1.30 p.m.  |
| Swatow, Amoy & Foochow                |              | Hai Ching     | 5 p.m.     |
| Haiphong                              | 10           | Mingsang      | 8.30 a.m.  |
| Swatow, Amoy & Formosa                |              | Kaijo Maru    | 9 a.m.     |
| Japan & *Honolulu                     | 11           | Rakuyo Maru   | 10.30 a.m. |
| Shanghai & Japan                      |              | Haruma Maru   | 10.30 a.m. |
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| Letters 1 p.m.                        |              |               |            |
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| *Europe via Siberia. Registration     |              |               |            |
| 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.              |              |               |            |
| Manila                                |              | Shinyo Maru.  | 4.30 p.m.  |
|                                       |              | Pres. Lincoln |            |
| Swatow, Amoy & Foochow                | 12           | Hai Ning      | 1 p.m.     |
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| & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via       |              |               |            |
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### SPAIN'S GIFT.

STUFFED IBEXES FOR A  
LONDON MUSEUM.

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COOLIE ASSAULTED WITH  
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A coolie was charged before Mr.  
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other Chinese whose head he  
cracked with a hammer.

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they and another man slept in a  
piece of waste ground off Third  
Street, West Point. Above them  
they had erected a sort of awning  
with a piece of cloth and some bam-  
boos. About 3 a.m. the heavy  
shower came, and he (complainant)  
who was sleeping on the outside  
was wet through. He pulled the  
awning a little more to his side for  
shelter. This caused the other two  
men to get "slightly wet." They  
became furious. The man who was  
not in custody picked up a brick  
and hit the witness in the mouth,  
breaking one tooth and loosening  
all the others. The accused was  
more bloodthirsty, and picking up  
a hammer from the witness's bam-  
ket (he was a member of China  
ware) hit him on the head. A  
Chinese constable who happened to  
be in the vicinity then came on the  
scene and arrested the accused.  
The other man ran away.

The constable and he saw the  
complainant and accused struggl-  
ing. The accused had a hammer  
in his hand but witness did not see  
him use it on the complainant.  
When witness flashed on his torch  
light, he saw the complainant was  
bleeding from his head, so witness  
took accused to the police station.

Accused said that in fact four  
men slept in the same place, the  
other two (not in custody) assau-  
lted the complainant. He (accused)  
attempted to pacify them, but the  
complainant came at him with the  
hammer in hand. Complainant  
actually struck accused on the arm  
and knocked him down. He then  
grappled with the complainant for  
possession of the hammer, to pre-  
vent complainant from doing fur-  
ther damage. He had just suc-  
ceeded in taking the hammer from  
the complainant when the constable  
came. The other two men ran  
away and accused was arrested.

The Magistrate convicted the  
accused and fined him \$3 or six  
days' jail. His Worship also or-  
dered the accused to pay the complain-  
ant \$1 compensation or do four  
more days' hard labour.

Both parties were bound over in  
the sum of \$50 months to keep the  
peace for six months.

### OLD EXCUSE FAILS.

Two Chinese youths were this  
morning charged before Mr. R. E.  
Lindsell with the unlawful posses-  
sion of 11 bars of soap. First ac-  
cused said he was given some of  
the soap by the second accused to  
carry, while second accused said  
that a man named Tai Seng gave  
the soap to them both to carry.  
As usual, Tai Seng could not now  
be found. The Magistrate or-  
dered No. 1 to receive 10 strokes  
with a rattan, while No. 2 was  
fined \$10 or 14 days' jail.

### MURDER CHARGE.

COMMITTAL IN CASTLE PEAK  
CASE.

DEFENCE PLEADS SUICIDE.

The preliminary hearing of the  
Castle Peak murder case was con-  
cluded in Mr. R. E. Lindsell's  
Court at the Central Magistracy  
this morning when the accused  
was committed to the Criminal  
Sessions.

Referring to Mr. Gordon  
Leask's argument yesterday  
afternoon that he had no case to  
answer, the Magistrate this morn-  
ing said that he found that there  
was sufficient evidence inconsistent  
with the suicide theory for  
him to call on Mr. Leask to state  
his defence.

Mr. Leask then asked permis-  
sion to reserve his defence for  
the higher court, remarking that  
to-morrow was the last day on  
which his Worship could commit  
the accused to the next Criminal  
Sessions.

Mr. Lindsell said he understood  
that Mr. Leask was going to open  
the defence in that Court.

Mr. Leask admitted that he had  
so indicated at one stage of the  
hearing, but he now asked per-  
mission to reserve his defence.  
He said that he had already in-

### C.N. CO. STRIKE.

No Change in the Shipping  
Deadlock.

From enquiries this afternoon,  
it was learned that there had been  
no change in the situation as re-  
gards the strike of officers of the  
China Navigation Company.  
The ships officers are all on  
shore, and shore employees of the  
Company are in charge of the  
tied-up vessels.

Meetings of the officers are tak-  
ing place daily at the Marine  
Engineers' Guild of China.  
After further consideration  
Mr. Lindsell asked Mr. Leask if  
he realised that after he (the  
Magistrate) had heard the de-  
fence he might decide that no  
jury could convict the accused.

Mr. Leask replied that even  
taking that into consideration he  
wished to ask for permission to  
reserve his defence.

The accused was then formally  
cautioned and did not make any  
statement.

Mr. Lindsell committed the ac-  
cused to stand his trial at the  
next Criminal Sessions which is  
due to open about July 18.

### YESTERDAY'S HEARING.

Evidence intended to prove that  
there had been quarrels between  
the accused and his dead wife was  
heard by Mr. R. E. Lindsell yester-  
day afternoon.

A female witness said she saw a  
fight between husband and wife in  
June 1925, when she attempted to  
pacify the couple. The witness  
had then noticed a strange woman  
in the house, and this the witness  
believed was the accused's concu-  
bine.

Inspector Lane then gave  
evidence and was lengthily cross-  
examined by Mr. J. A. Gordon  
Leask (for the defence) on details  
regarding the locality of the house  
and marks on the exhumed body.

Opening the defence, Mr. Leask  
submitted that the prosecution did  
not make out a case for him to an-  
swer. He admitted that there was  
some circumstantial evidence  
which went against the accused,  
but Counsel said he could not see  
that the Crown had brought out  
anything to show that accused was  
the direct cause of his wife's death.

Mr. Lindsell pointed out that the  
meal in the stomach showed that  
death was sudden.  
Mr. Leask admitted this, but  
asked how it could be proved that  
accused had caused the sudden  
death of his wife? He submitted  
that no jury could convict on the  
evidence presented by Mr. T. S.  
Whyte-Smith (Assistant Crown  
Solicitor).

Explaining the accused's action  
after his wife's disappearance, Mr.  
Leask said he suddenly came upon  
the wife hanging from the roof in  
the attic. He at once cut the body  
down and concealed it, and later  
he took it out and buried it

### CRIES FOR HELP.

CHANNEL SWIMMER TO THE  
RESCUE.

New York, July 7.

While posing for a cinema film  
on the beach at Santa Monica,  
Miss Gertrude Ederle, the Channel



Miss Gertrude Ederle.

Swimmer, heard cries for help  
far from the shore. She plunged  
in and rescued a drowning girl  
swimmer.—Reuter's American  
Service.

### FURTHER DELAY.

HUNGARIAN & RUMANIAN  
DISPUTE.

Rugby, July 7.

Mr. G. Locker Lampson, Under-  
Secretary for Foreign Affairs, was  
asked in Parliament if there was  
any prospect of the Hungarian and  
Rumanian question now before the  
League of Nations and committed  
to Sir Austen Chamberlain with  
the Japanese and Chilean representa-  
tives for inquiry being reported  
upon to the Council at next  
session.

He said the committee over which  
Sir Austen Chamberlain presided  
thought it necessary that further  
time should be given for the repre-  
sentatives of both States to consult  
their governments, and they there-  
fore advised an adjournment until  
September. The Council approved  
their proposal and the committee  
will make a further report in  
September.—British Wireless Ser-  
vice.

### "RICH SMALL BOY."

AND A "PRESENT" TO A  
STRANGER.

When a Chinese youth was  
charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell  
this morning with the unlawful  
possession of a pair of Foochow  
lacquer ware vases, he said that a  
small boy made a present of them  
to him.

Magistrate: I should like to  
make the acquaintance of this  
rich little boy.

Accused: I don't know him.  
Magistrate: Oh! He is a total  
stranger to you, yet he made you  
a present of such valuable things!  
Who ever heard of that?

The fairy tale teller was sen-  
tenced to four weeks' hard labour.

in the sand pit. His subsequent  
action in telling lies about his wife  
was easily explained. He dis-  
covered that his action in conceal-  
ing the body of his wife punishable,  
therefore he lied to protect him-  
self.

In his reply—Mr. Whyte-Smith  
pointed out the string of circum-  
stantial evidence which indicated  
the accused's guilt, and asked for  
his committal. While admitting  
the onus of proof was on the pro-  
secution, Mr. Whyte-Smith said he  
thought a jury would convict on  
the evidence which had been pro-  
duced. He contended that the de-  
fence had not yet discharged its  
onus of proving the statement that  
the accused had lied for fear of  
imprisonment as the result of con-  
cealing the body.

The Magistrate gave an adjourn-  
ment until this morning to consider  
the matter.

TO-DAY &  
TO-MORROW

QUEEN'S

2.30, 5.10  
7.15, 9.20.

LAURA  
LA PLANTE

&

JAMES  
KIRKWOOD

in

"BUTTERFLIES IN THE RAIN"

TO-DAY &  
TO-MORROW

WORLD

5.15 and  
9.20 p.m.

ROD  
L. ROCQUE

&

DOROTHY  
GISH

in

"NIGHT LIFE OF NEW YORK"

2.30 to 8.30  
CONTINUOUS

STAR

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|------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------|---------|
|                        |                              |                             | 6/7    | 7/7     |
| West River at Shihung  | + 41.0"                      | 0"                          | + 17.7 | rising  |
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| North River at Samshui | + 27.3"                      | 0"                          | + 10.6 | + 12.2  |
| East River at Shihung  | + 18.2"                      | 0"                          | + 8.1  | falling |

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## THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

Over 46,500 new motor vehicles were registered in London during 1926.

Depositors numbering 225,760 have £7,800,221 to their credit in the Birmingham Municipal Bank, the average holding being £34.

Fire destroyed a lorry and its load of 98 cases of matches, weighing four tons, following the lorry's collision with a railway bridge at Great Haywood, Staffordshire.

The South Metropolitan Gas Company proposes to reduce the price of gas from 10d. per therm to 9½d. per therm, from the reading of the meters at midsummer.

Middlesex County Council have appointed Mr. Alfred George Harfield, assistant surveyor to the Metropolitan Water Board, as county valuation officer at a salary of £1,000 a year.

United States motor-car exports in April reached a new high record of 34,840 private cars and 11,863 trade vehicles of a total value of \$9,233,000, an increase over April last year of 14.5 per cent.

In a main street crowded with shoppers at Stoke-on-Trent a steepjack, Horace Smith, 22, of Barwood Hill-road, Winshall, Burton-on-Trent, fell from a 60ft.-high building to the pavement and was killed.

Sixpenny all-day tickets for children under 14 entitling them to ride at will on 200 miles of route are to be issued by the tramways of the London County Council and East London until September 30.

A set of six panels of Morris tapestry, woven with scenes from "The Quest of the Holy Grail," after designs by Sir E. Burne Jones, realised £224 at Messrs. Christie's, while £340 was paid for a Louis XVI mahogany commode.

A steel firm, with its biggest plant in Sheffield (believed to be Vickers, Ltd.), is, according to the Sheffield Chamber of Commerce "Journal," on the point of booking an ordnance order valued at £3,000,000 for the Republic of Bolivia.

An unlucky black cat which, with a live mouse in its mouth, tried to cross the road in front of a motor-cycle at Asfordby, Leicestershire, in mail week, was entangled in the spokes and killed. The driver was flung over the handle-bars and slightly injured. The mouse escaped.

Twickenham Town Council have decided to allow tennis to be played on Sundays on the courts at York House.

245,676 dog licences were sold at London Post Offices during 1926, the fees received being £92,129, an increase of £5,112 on 1925.

Mr. Charles Gostling, a bank manager, of The Grove, Church End, Finchley, who was holiday-making at Southend, was found dead in bed.

William George Mappley (21), of Caroline-Street, Upper Clapton, died in Acton Hospital following a collision with a motor-lorry while cycling to work.

Mr. G. R. Rand, assistant solicitor-in-charge of the conveyancing section of the L.C.C. solicitors department, is retiring in July after fifty years' service.

While cycling in Brixton-road, Horace Keeling, aged 19, of Salter's Hill, Upper Norwood, collided with a motor lorry. He died from his injuries in King's College Hospital.

Mrs. Elizabeth Elkington (39), of Kimberley-road, Laindon, Essex, who fell from a train near Wickford, was removed to Billericay Hospital with severe facial injuries.

The decision of the Twickenham Education Committee in rejecting an offer of the local "Vat" of Froth-blowers to take a number of poor children for an outing to the seaside has been reversed by the Town Council.

At a village fire near Ottershaw, Surrey, the firemen had to take their hose across country for nearly a mile to reach a stream. Water was pumped this distance by two engines, one standing at the river and a second near the fire.

For the first time wireless communication has been established between the commandant, officers, and cadets of the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, and those of the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York, greetings and best wishes being changed.

As 25,000 London elementary school children are absent from school during the September hop-picking season, the L.C.C. Education Committee recommends that schools where a large proportion of the pupils are so affected be allowed to take the summer holiday from July 28 to August 5, and from August 29 to September 26.

Buttercups and daisies growing on one stem have been picked by a schoolgirl in a field at Newton Nottage, Glamorgan.

The regimental colours of the 9th Essex Old Comrades' Association were laid up at a special service at Warley Barracks Chapel.

By the King's orders, the royal mausoleum, Frogmore, Windsor, was open to the public between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Whit Monday.

Employed continuously at Port Penryn, Bangor, for 79 years, Matthew Owen, of Glamorgan, Bangor, died on his 90th birthday.

Miners at the Marine Collieries, Cwm (Glamorgan), numbering over 2,000, ceased work in sympathy with two employees who had been dismissed.

The body of the man who at Eastbourne hired a boat which was afterwards found empty and drifting has been identified as that of Charles French, of Eastbourne.

The map of the Atlantic Ocean made for Biggles "summarise" of Sir Francis Drake's West Indian voyage, and lettered references to the four plans of S. Jago, etc., realised £510 at Messrs. Sotheby's.

Said to have been given to practical joking, Henry George Bailey, who was found hanging at his home at Deal, is believed to have been trying to frighten his cousin and sister when he slipped and was strangled.

In order to disturb the foundations as little as possible, the interment, in the crypt of St. Paul's Cathedral, of Dr. Charles Macpherson, formerly cathedral organist, was preceded by cremation.

An acknowledgment of his letter to the Home Secretary has been received by the father of Edward Erawell, the 16-years-old boy who was sentenced at Leamington to two months' imprisonment for stealing fog signals.

For working under Moscow orders to overturn the Lithuanian Government, five Communists were sentenced to death and 13 were sentenced to from two to ten years' imprisonment. The death sentences were later commuted to 15 years' imprisonment.

The time when the United States postal authorities had to cut postage stamps into sections owing to a shortage is recalled by the sale for £34 at Harmer's, Old Bond-street, W., of half a 12-cent stamp sent from Perryburg, Ohio, in 1851.

Averaging in his single-seater aeroplane a speed of 156 miles an hour, Flying Officer A. H. Montgomery, of 32 Squadron, won at Northolt, Middlesex, a 100-miles race, the first of its kind, between pilots of the fighting squadrons allocated to air defence.

When a verdict of Suicide while Temporarily Insane was returned at the inquest on Percy Camp, aged 44, secretary of the Kent County Ophthalmic Hospital, Maidstone, an official stated that, so far as he could see, the accounts were quite in order.

### THREE VICTIMS OF GREED.

The story of a triple murder following family differences was told at Ferozepore, Punjab, at the trial of Gurdial Singh, who was sentenced to death.

Dissatisfied with the portion of the family wealth allotted to him, Gurdial Singh went to the house of his grandfather, whom he threw through a hole in the floor on to the ground floor below. He then fired at his grandfather, wounding him in the leg, and also at his aunt. The man then snatched the aunt's child, dashed its head against the wall, and kicked it. Sizing a spade, he again attacked his grandfather, and after collecting jewellery and money left the house.

The grandfather, aunt, and child died from their injuries.

### SUNRISE AND SUNSET.

| July | a.m. | p.m. |
|------|------|------|
| 8    | 5.44 | 7.11 |
| 9    | 5.44 | 7.11 |
| 10   | 5.45 | 7.11 |
| 11   | 5.45 | 7.11 |
| 12   | 5.45 | 7.11 |
| 13   | 5.46 | 7.11 |
| 14   | 5.47 | 7.11 |
| 15   | 5.47 | 7.11 |
| 16   | 5.48 | 7.10 |
| 17   | 5.48 | 7.10 |
| 18   | 5.49 | 7.10 |
| 19   | 5.49 | 7.10 |
| 20   | 5.49 | 7.10 |
| 21   | 5.50 | 7.09 |
| 22   | 5.50 | 7.09 |
| 23   | 5.51 | 7.08 |
| 24   | 5.51 | 7.08 |
| 25   | 5.51 | 7.07 |
| 26   | 5.52 | 7.07 |
| 27   | 5.52 | 7.06 |
| 28   | 5.52 | 7.06 |
| 29   | 5.53 | 7.06 |
| 30   | 5.53 | 7.05 |
| 31   | 5.54 | 7.05 |

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